

Dosage Calculation Worksheet #4

1. Ordered is flucloxacillin 250mg IM. Available is 1 G in 10 mL. How much should the nurse administer in mL?

$$\frac{1000 \text{ mg}}{10 \text{ mL}} = \frac{250 \text{ mg}}{x} \quad 1000x = 2,500 = 2.5 \text{ mL}$$

2. Order: Administer 160 mg IV. Available is 100 mg/2 mL. How much should the nurse administer in mL?

$$\frac{1000 \text{ mg}}{2 \text{ mL}} = \frac{160 \text{ mg}}{x} \quad 100x = 320 = 3.2 \text{ mL}$$

3. Azulfidine 1.5 g has been ordered every 12 hrs. Available are 500mg tablets. How many tablets should the nurse administer per day?

$$\frac{0.5 \text{ g}}{\text{tab}} = \frac{1.5 \text{ g}}{x} \quad 0.5x = 1.5 = 3 \times 2 = 6 \text{ tabs per day}$$

4. Ergotrate maleate 200 mcg is ordered po daily. Available is 0.2 mg. How many tablets should the nurse administer?

$$\frac{200 \text{ mcg}}{\text{tab}} = \frac{200 \text{ mcg}}{x} \quad 200x = 200 = 1 \text{ tab}$$

5. From 0700 to 1900 the nurse calculates the patient's total intravenous fluid intake as __?__ milliliters. An IV is infusing at 50 mL/hour. At 0900 the patient will receive IVPB of 125 mL for 30 minutes. What is the total amount in mL the patient will receive during this time?

$$50 \text{ mL} \times 11.5 \text{ hrs} = 575 \text{ mL} \quad 575 \text{ mL} + 125 \text{ mL} = 700 \text{ mL}$$

6. Solumedrol 1.5 mg/kg is ordered for a child weighing 42 lb. Solumedrol is available as 75 mg / 1 mL is available. How many mL must the nurse administer?

$$42 \text{ lbs} \times \frac{1 \text{ kg}}{2.2 \text{ lbs}} = 19.1 \text{ kg} \times \frac{1.5 \text{ mg}}{\text{kg}} = 28.7 \text{ mg} \quad \frac{75 \text{ mg}}{\text{mL}} = \frac{28.7 \text{ mg}}{x} \quad 75x = 28.7 = 0.382 = 0.4 \text{ mL}$$

7. Give patient 17.1 mg of dopamine in 223 mL of D5W to be infused at a rate of 17,221 mcg/hr. Calculate the flow rate in mL/hr.

$$17,221 \text{ mcg} \times \frac{1 \text{ mg}}{1000 \text{ mcg}} = 17.2 \text{ mg} \quad \frac{17.2 \text{ mg}}{17.1 \text{ mg}} \times 223 \text{ mL} = 224 \text{ mL/hr}$$

8. Calculate the IV flow rate for 0.2 L of D5W IV over 462 min. Infusion set has drop factor of 59 gtts/mL. What is the IV flow rate in gtts/min?

$$0.2 \text{ L} \times \frac{1000 \text{ mL}}{\text{L}} = 200 \text{ mL} \quad \frac{200 \text{ mL}}{462 \text{ min}} \times 59 \frac{\text{gtts}}{\text{mL}} = 25.5 \text{ gtts/min}$$

9. Ordered Lasix 24 g IV push now. Available: 22,000,000 mcg in 12 mL. How much will the nurse draw up?

$$22,000,000 \text{ mcg} \times \frac{1 \text{ mg}}{1000 \text{ mcg}} \times \frac{1 \text{ g}}{1000 \text{ mg}} = 22 \text{ g} \quad \frac{22 \text{ g}}{12 \text{ mL}} = \frac{24 \text{ g}}{x} \quad 22x = 288 = 13.1 \text{ mL}$$

10. Calculate the IV flow rate for 392 mL of D5W IV over 582 min. Infusion set has drop factor of 74 gtts/mL. What is the IV flow rate in gtts/min?

$$\frac{392 \text{ mL}}{582 \text{ min}} \times 74 \frac{\text{gtts}}{\text{mL}} = 49.8 \text{ gtts/min}$$

11. From 0700 to 1800 the nurse calculates the patient's total intravenous fluid intake as milliliters. An IV is infusing at 100 mL/hour. At 0900 and 1500, the patient will receive IVPB of 75 mL for 30 minutes. What is the total amount the patient will receive during this time?

$$100 \text{ mL} \times 10 \text{ hrs} = 1000 \text{ mL} \quad 1000 \text{ mL} + 75 \text{ mL} + 75 \text{ mL} = 1,150 \text{ mL}$$

12. Ordered 7 g of Amoxicillin. Amoxicillin is available as 0.016 kg per 20 mL. How much will the nurse draw up?

$$0.016 \text{ kg} \times \frac{1000 \text{ g}}{\text{kg}} = 16 \text{ g} \quad \frac{16 \text{ g}}{20 \text{ mL}} = \frac{7 \text{ g}}{x} \quad 16x = 140 = 8.8 \text{ mL}$$

13. Potassium chloride is available as 0.016 kg per tablet. Potassium Chloride (K-Dur), 24,000,000 mcg, is ordered. How many tablets would the nurse administer?

$$0.016 \text{ kg} \times \frac{1000 \text{ g}}{\text{kg}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ mg}}{\text{g}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ mcg}}{\text{mg}} = \frac{16,000,000 \text{ mcg}}{\text{tab}} = \frac{24,000,000 \text{ mcg}}{x}$$

$$16,000,000x = 24,000,000 = 1.5 \text{ tabs}$$

14. Aggrastat at 23.8 mg in 129 mL is to be infused at 3 mcg/kg/hr in a patient who weighs 82 kg. At what flow rate in mL/hr will you set the pump?

$$82 \text{ kg} \times \frac{3 \text{ mcg}}{\text{kg} \times \text{hr}} = 246 \frac{\text{mcg}}{\text{hr}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mg}}{1000 \text{ mcg}} = 0.246 \text{ mg/hr} \frac{0.246 \text{ mg}}{23.8 \text{ mg}} \times 129 \text{ mL} = 1.3 \text{ mL/hr}$$

15. Administer 0.06 g of codeine po now. Available are 30 mg tablets. How many tablets should the nurse administer?

$$30 \text{ mg} \times \frac{1 \text{ g}}{1000 \text{ mg}} = 0.03 \text{ g} \frac{0.03 \text{ g}}{\text{tab}} = \frac{0.06 \text{ g}}{x} \quad 0.03 x = 0.06 = 2 \text{ tabs}$$