

IM6 Guided Reflection Questions

Schizophrenia / Invega

1. How would you address the question “What is the benefit to me to use a long-acting antipsychotic medication such as Invega over just taking some pills every day”? **They don’t have to worry about taking the medication every day it may be hard for them to remember to take the medication daily. If they hear voices the voices may tell them to stop taking the medication. If they do take the medication regularly once their symptoms stop or they feel better they may stop taking the medications themselves.**
2. What resources might you be able to provide a patient who is prescribed a long-acting antipsychotic medication such as Invega? **Refer them to the official website of Invega. The medication pamphlet with all the information and point out/highlight the important information.**
3. What are some possible resources you can provide or direct a patient to if the long-acting medication is not affordable to them? **Pharmaceutical assistance program. Janssen carepath savings program for Invega.**
4. How will the knowledge about the availability of long-acting antipsychotic medication impact your future nursing practice? **It will help me know what patients can really benefit from this type of medication. If I see that a patient is struggling with their current medication I can talk with the patient about considering asking to be on the long-acting medication.**
5. What areas can you identify that you need improvement on in administering a long-acting antipsychotic medication such as Invega in order to meet the criteria for the CPE? **Remembering to have the consent signed immediately after reading through it with the patient. Remembering to shake the syringe for 10 seconds before administration.**