Guided Reflection Questions for Surgical Case 5: Lloyd Bennett

Opening Questions

How did the scenario make you feel?

It felt very realistic and helped prepare me for a patient that has an adverse reaction to blood products.

Scenario Analysis Questions*

PCC/S/EBP Prior to blood administration, what assessments of the blood product and the patient are required to promote safe delivery and lessen potential complications?

Two nurses should check the blood before it's administered. The patient's blood should be cross matched and a consent form signed. The patient should be advised of all the adverse reactions that can occur and to notify the nurse if it happens. The nurse should stay at the patient's bedside for the first 15 minutes to assess for a reaction and to take another set of vital signs.

PCC What signs and symptoms first indicated the patient was having a transfusion reaction?

Lower back pain.

PCC/EBP Review the immediate priorities when a transfusion reaction occurs and the rationale for each.

Stop the infusion
Take patient's vital signs
Notify the provider
Notify the blood bank
Draw labs and urine
Continue to monitor the patient

S What key elements would you include in the handoff report for this patient? Consider the SBAR (situation, background, assessment, recommendation) format.

That the patient lost some blood during his procedure so the provider prescribed two units of PRBC. During the infusion the patient started to have lower back pain so the infusion was stopped. The provider was notified and ordered labs and fluids. The patient's vital signs are good.

Concluding Questions

What follow-up blood work may be required? **CBC**

What follow-up disclosure is required with Lloyd Bennett and his family? **The patient and his family should be informed about what happened while the blood was transfusing, and what signs and symptoms the patient should report to the nurse.**

What would you do differently if you were to repeat this scenario? How would your patient care change?

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Double check the blood product compatibility with the patient's blood type. I'm not too familiar with blood product reactions but the simulation seemed to cover everything that a nurse should do during this situation.

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