

Opening Questions

How did the scenario make you feel?

I felt good about this situation because I had an idea of what to do.

Scenario Analysis Questions*

PCC What assessment findings would indicate that the patient's condition is worsening?

We were watching for her O2 sats, any cyanosis, watching her WOB, any signs of hypoxia

PCC When a patient develops a rapid onset of shortness of breath, what are the nurse's immediate priorities?

First priority is to get supplemental oxygen

PCC/I Review Jennifer Hoffman's laboratory results. Identify which results are abnormal and discuss how this relates to her clinical presentation and the disease process.

Concluding Questions

What communication techniques are important for an extremely anxious patient who is having difficulty breathing?

Talking to them calmly and providing a calm environment

What patient teaching priorities would be important for the patient who has experienced an acute exacerbation of asthma?

The importance of having inhaler and/or steroids

What discharge instructions regarding home medications would you provide the patient related to medications to use to alleviate symptoms of an acute asthma attack?

I would recommend inhaler, or asthma treatments through nebulizer

What resources would you recommend for the patient experiencing asthma?

Support groups, educational classes or programs

What is the importance of the asthma action plan in managing the care of a patient with asthma?

The importance is to keep them from having these acute asthma attacks

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

Ask sooner if they have any allergies.

I didn't auscultate lungs at first