

Application Exercises Key

1. A. It would be inappropriate to delegate the feeding of a client who has aspiration pneumonia to an AP because the client is at risk for further aspiration.
 B. Either an RN or an PN, not an AP, may reinforce teaching.
 C. **CORRECT:** The application of a condom catheter is a noninvasive, routine procedure that the nurse may delegate to an AP.
 D. Either an RN or an PN, not an AP, may apply a sterile dressing.
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2. A. Although the charge nurse can provide all the care this client requires in the immediate postoperative period, administrative responsibilities might prevent the close monitoring and assessment this client needs.
 B. **CORRECT:** A client returning from surgery requires an RN's assessment and establishment of a plan of care, especially if the client is potentially unstable.
 C. Although PNs can perform some of the tasks crucial in the immediate postoperative period, they cannot provide the comprehensive care this client needs at this time.
 D. Although APs can perform some of the tasks crucial in the immediate postoperative period, they cannot provide the comprehensive care this client needs at this time, particularly assessment.

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3. A. The AP does not need to know the status of the client's roommate to complete this assignment.
 B. **CORRECT:** To complete this assignment safely, the AP should make sure the client wears stockings and slippers.
 C. **CORRECT:** To complete this assignment safely, the AP should make sure the client uses a front-wheeled walker.
 D. **CORRECT:** To complete this assignment safely, the AP should know that the client should be feeling the effects of the pain medication.
 E. The AP does not need to know the client's allergy status to complete this assignment.
 F. The AP does not need to know the client's food intake to complete this assignment.

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4. A. Assisting a client to use an incentive spirometer is within the scope of practice of the PN.
 B. Collecting a clean-catch urine specimen is within the scope of practice of the PN.
 C. Providing nasopharyngeal suctioning is within the scope of practice of the PN.
 D. **CORRECT:** The RN is responsible for primary teaching. The PN may only reinforce teaching.

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5. A. The right client is one of the rights of medication administration, not of delegation.
CORRECT: The right supervision and evaluation is one of the five rights of delegation. They also include the right task and the right person.
CORRECT: Right direction and communication is one of the five rights of delegation. They also include the right task and the right person.
 Although the delegatee needs to know whether there is a time frame or a specific time to perform the task, the right time is not one of the five rights of delegation. It is one of the rights of medication administration.
CORRECT: The right circumstances is one of the five rights of delegation. They also include the right task and the right person.

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PRACTICE Answer

NURSING INTERVENTIONS

- Provide supervision, either directly or indirectly (assigning supervision to another licensed nurse).
- Monitor performance.
- Intervene if necessary (for unsafe clinical practice).
- Provide feedback:
 - Did the delegatee complete the tasks on time?
 - Was the delegatee's performance satisfactory?
 - Did the delegatee document and report unexpected findings?
 - Did the delegatee need help completing the tasks on time?
- Evaluate the client and determine the client's outcome status.
- Evaluate task performance and identify needs for performance-improvement activities and additional resources.

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