

Newborn Practice Questions 2024

A nurse in the newborn nursery has just received report. Which of the following infants should the nurse see first?

- A. A 2-day-old who is lying quietly alert with a heart rate of 185
- B. A 1-day-old who is crying and has a bulging anterior fontanelle
- C. A 12-hour-old who is being held, with respirations that are 45 breaths per minute and irregular
- D. A 5-hour-old who is sleeping and whose hands and feet are blue bilaterally

The primary risk for necrotizing enterocolitis (NEC) is which of the following?

- A. Early oral feedings with formula
- B. Passage of meconium during labor
- C. Prematurity
- D. Low birth weight

What should the nurse do immediately after birth for an infant with gastroschisis?

- A. Cover the intestines with warm sterile saline dressing wrapped with plastic
- B. Place the intestines in a silo bag
- C. Give the infant a bath
- D. Start continuous feedings

The nurse understands that the neonate is at increased risk for retinopathy of prematurity (ROP). Which of the following actions should the nurse take to reduce the risk for ROP?

- A. Provide bright lighting around the isolette to help the neonate focus
- B. Use oxygen blenders and oxygen calibrating systems to ensure exact concentration of oxygen
- C. Apply antibiotic eye drops twice a day per orders
- D. Apply eye patches to the neonate

A nurse is caring for a preterm neonate who has been in the neonatal intensive care unit for 30 days and has been dependent on oxygen or mechanical ventilation the entire time. What serious complication is this neonate at risk for based on this prolonged dependence on oxygen therapy?

- A. Bronchopulmonary dysplasia
- B. Necrotizing enterocolitis
- C. Meconium aspiration syndrome
- D. Intrauterine growth restriction

A nurse is caring for a post-term neonate who exhibits respiratory depression at the time of birth. Which condition should the nurse most suspect in this neonate?

- A. Bronchopulmonary dysplasia
- B. Necrotizing enterocolitis
- C. Meconium aspiration syndrome

A nurse is caring for an infant who has a myelomeningocele. Which of the following should the nurse include in the preoperative plan of care?

- A. Assist the mother with cuddling the infant
- B. Assess the infant's temperature rectally
- C. Place the infant in a supine position
- D. Apply a sterile, moist dressing on the sac