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IM 7 Math Module

Complete the required math problems and check your answers.

Drop Factor Problems

1. Infuse 1.5 gram of a medication over 3 hours. The drug is supplied as 1.5 gram/250mL. The drip factor is 15. How many gtt/min will you infuse? (Round to the nearest whole number)

$$\frac{250 \times 15}{180} = 21 \text{ gtt/min}$$

2. An order has been written to give 1 gram of a medication over 30 minutes. The drug is supplied as 1 gram/50mL. The gtt factor is 60. How many gtt/min will you infuse?

$$\frac{50 \times 60}{30} = 100 \text{ gtt/min}$$

3. The nurse is to give 500mg IV of a medication over 1 hr. The drug is supplied as 1 gram/250mL. The gtt factor is 15. How many gtt/min will you infuse? (Round to the nearest whole number)

$$\frac{125 \times 15}{60} = 31 \text{ gtt/min}$$

4. The patient is to receive 400 mg IV of a medication over 1 hour. You receive an IV bag from the pharmacy labeled 400 mg in 100 mL D5W. The IV tubing delivers 12 gtt/mL. How many drops per minute (gtt/min) will the nurse deliver?

$$\frac{100 \times 12}{60} = 20 \text{ gtt/min}$$

mL/hr Infuse over time

5. The physician writes an order to give 1000mL of intravenous fluid over 8hrs. How many mL/hr will you infuse?

$$1000/8 = 125 \text{ mL/hr}$$

6. Infuse 1000 mLs of intravenous fluid over 4 hrs. How many mL/hr will you set on the pump?

$$1000/4 = 250 \text{ mL/hr}$$

7. A physician orders 1000 mg of a medication to be given every 6 hours over 1.5 hours. The medication is delivered with 1000 mg in 250 mL. How many mL/hr will you set the pump? (Round to the nearest whole number)

$$250/1.5 = 167 \text{ mL/hr}$$

IV Push

8. An order is received for 75mcg IV push of a medication now. The drug is supplied as 100mcg/2mL. How many mL will you give?

$$75/100 = 0.75 \text{ mL}$$

9. The patient is to receive 5mg of a medication IV push. The drug is supplied as 20mg/5mL. How many mL will you give? (Do not round your final answer)

$$20/5 = 4 \text{ mg/mL} \quad 5/4 = 1.25 \text{ mL}$$

10. The order is to give 2mg IV push of a medication now. The drug is supplied as 10mg/1mL. How many mL will you give?

$$2/10 = 0.2 \text{ mL}$$

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C x R
W x 60

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Mcg/kg/min or Mcg/min

50,000 50,000 mcg / 500 = 100mcg/mL

100 x 142
77.5 x 60
114200
4770

11. The patient is receiving an intravenous medication currently infusing at 142 mL/hr. The IV bag of reads 50 mg in 500 mL D5W. The patient weighs 175 lbs. How many mcg/kg/min are infusing? (Round to the nearest tenth)

3 mcg/kg/min

12. The physician has ordered a medication that states to start at 1 mcg/kg/min and titrate as needed. The IV bag of medication contains 250 mg in 500 mL D5W. The patient weighs 70 kg. How many mL/hr should the IV pump be set at to achieve the starting dose? (Round to the nearest whole number)

70 mcg/min

70 x 1 x 60 / 250 = 8.4 = 8 mL/hr

13. The patient is currently receiving a medication at 12 mL/hr. The bottle reads 100 mg in 250 mL D5W. How many mcg/min is the patient receiving?

100/250 = 0.4
400mcg/mL
x 12
4800/60 = 80

80 mcg/min

14. The physician has ordered a medication to start at 2 mcg/kg/min. The patient weighs 75-165 lbs. The IV bag reads 800 mg in 500 mL D5W. What rate would the nurse set on the infusion pump? (Round to the nearest tenth)

2 x 75 = 150 mcg/min x 60 = 9000 mcg/hr

800,000 / 500 = 1,600 mcg/mL
9000 / 1600 = 5.6 mL/hr

15. The physician has written an order to increase the medication to 4 mcg/kg/min. The IV bag reads 64 mcg/mL. What rate would the nurse set on the IV pump? (Round to the nearest tenth)

D x W x 60
conc

4 x 60 = 240 mcg/hr / 64 = 3.75 mcg/hr

64 / 3.75 = 17.1 mL/hr

16. The patient is on a medication drip infusing at 15 mL/hr. The label reads 50 mcg/mL. The patient weighs 65 kg. How many mcg/min is the patient receiving? (Do not round)

15 x 50 / 60 = 12.5 mcg/min

Heparin/Insulin or mg/hr

17. The physician orders a heparin infusion at 500 units/hr. The IV bag of medication reads 25,000 units in 250 mL D5W. How many mL/hr should be showing on the IV pump?

25,000 / 250

100u/mL x 500 / 100 = 5 mL/hr

18. The patient is on a regular insulin drip infusing at 5 units/hr. The bag is labeled 100 units in 250 mL NS. At what rate should the pump be infusing? Round to the nearest whole number.

0.4u/mL

5 / 0.4 = 12.5 mL/hr = 13 mL/hr

Burns (Parkland Formula) Do not round weights

19. A 200-pound patient presents to the emergency department with 50% total body surface area (TBSA) burn. How many liters of fluid would be given in the first 24 hours? (Round to the nearest whole number)

90.9 x 0.5 x 400 = 18,180 / 1000 = 18.18 = 18L

20. A 150-pound patient presents to the emergency department with 75% total body surface area (TBSA) burn. How many liters of fluid would be given in the first 24 hours? (Round to the nearest whole number)

68.2 x 0.75 x 400 = 20,460 / 1000 = 20.46 = 20L