

**Firelands Regional Medical Center School of Nursing
Nursing Care Map**

Student Name _____

Date _____

Noticing/Recognizing Cues:

Highlight all related/relevant data from the Noticing boxes that support the top priority problem

Assessment findings*:

- Ostomy bag
- Alteration in fluid volume
- Dehiscence wound next to Ostomy
- Speech diminished
- BP 92/66
- Decreased appetite
- HIGH Fall Score
- Uses walker & wheelchair
- Inability to do ADLs
- Mild Weakness
- Altered mental status
- Distended, tender abdomen
- Tachycardia
- Resp Rate- 18
- Non blanchable redness around new ostomy

Lab findings/diagnostic tests*:

- WBC 15.5
- RBC 3.70
- BUN 24 (high)
- Creatinine 1.30 (high)
- Hgb 12.1
- Hct 38.1
- Glucose 124
- Calcium 8.4 (low)
- Urine: Protein-30 & Glucose 100

Risk factors*:

- Diabetes Mellitus
- Reoccurrence of colon cancer
- AFIB
- AKI
- Perforation of Intestine
- Contrast-induced nephropathy
- Leukocytosis
- Cerebral Palsy
- 64-year-old

**Interpreting/Analyzing Cues/
Prioritizing Hypotheses/
Generating Solutions:**

Nursing priorities*: *Highlight the top nursing priority problem*

- Impaired Skin Integrity
- Impaired Mobility
- Risk for Dehydration
- Risk for Surgical site infection
- Impaired nutrition

Potential complications for the top priority:

- Hyperglycemia
- dry mouth, tiredness, recurrent skin infections
- Falls
- leading to fracture, bruising, possible additional surgeries, etc.
- Impaired bowel function
- diarrhea, green stool in ostomy
- Malnutrition
- No proper proteins to aid in healing, worsening of wounds, chronic non-healing
- Dehydration
- dry mucous membranes, Orthostatic hypotension, poor skin turgor
- Impaired mobility
- possibility of pressure ulcers, decreased circulation, prolonged healing time

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Responding/Taking Actions:

Nursing interventions for the top priority:

1. Assess vital signs q4h- Rationale: to monitor the irregular blood pressure and higher heart rate due to dehydration
2. Assess pain q2h- Rationale: to ensure patient stays comfortable
3. Assess skin q2h- Rationale: to monitor non blanchable reddened skin around ostomy bag and abdominal wound
4. Assess nutritional status related to protein intake - Rationale: Current dehiscence abdominal wound and decreased appetite
5. Assess distended abdomen/ostomy bag seal daily & PRN- Rationale: Past incident of leaking ostomy bag causing skin breakdown around stoma site; want to monitor for possible reoccurrence and improvement of skin breakdown. To monitor for improvement or worsening of distention and check stoma site appearance
6. Change wet to dry sterile dressing daily or PRN if soiled- Rationale: Promotes wound healing and prevents infection
7. Administer Sodium Chloride 0.9% 1000mL @100mls/hr IV Q10h- Rationale: to help treat current dehydration
8. Administer Cholecalciferol 125mcg PO Daily- Rationale: to increase their abnormally low calcium levels & promotes skin integrity
9. Administer Metamucil 3.4 gm 1 packet PO Daily- Rationale: To harden stool for current diarrhea
10. Encourage fluids qh- Rationale: To treat current dehydration and promote skin integrity
11. Encourage repositioning q2h- Rationale: Promotes healing, circulation, and prevents pressure ulcer formation
12. Educate patient and family on wound care, ostomy maintenance, signs of infection, signs of dehydration, nutrition, ambulation, hygiene, medications, infection control using teach back method/ "Chunk and Check" Daily- Rationale: To ensure and improve patient and family understanding for improving independence

Reflecting/Evaluate Outcomes:

Evaluation of the top priority:

- Goal: Patient continues to have impaired skin integrity as evidenced by non blanchable erythema around ostomy site, same sized dehiscence wound, and dehydration worsening.
- More fluids have been ordered by physician's order and were started
- Appetite has not increased-eating about 25% of meals
- Wound has not decreased in size
- New physicians order for additional Sodium Chloride 0.9% 1000mL @100mls/hr
- New physicians order for Vashe to promote abdominal wound healing
- BP- 122/79
- WBC- 15.4
- Hgb-9.9
- Calcium- 8.1
- Hct-30.7
- PT/OT ambulation in hall & therapy room daily; uses walker
- Ostomy bag changed with new skin barrier method that got rid of some redness around ostomy site
- Continue Plan of Care (Possibility of Discharge 2/20)