Sepsis/Shock Content

Lewis-66

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On-line Content (1hr)

Learning Objectives:

- Discuss care of a patient with sepsis
- Discuss personal attitude about caring for patients with sepsis
- Evaluate methods to assist family members/significant others experiencing life-threatening conditions

Assignment:

Read Lewis Chapter 66

Copy and paste the following website into your search bar:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=99rvWDSDuvo

Watch the short video and read Rory Staunton's story as told by his parents.

Answer the following questions related to sepsis and Rory's story:

1. Discuss how this case makes you feel as a parent or family member.

   This story is very sad and it makes me feel that more should've been done for this kid. It seems that it was just a small cut or minor injury but it led to him losing his life. Also, I was surprised about how many Americans did not know about signs and symptoms of sepsis and how it was not on the CDC website. I felt that if it was my family member, I would want them to be treated right away and for the doctors to know what is going on with them. As a parent, I would feel terrible if I did not see the signs and symptoms and I was not able to help and then it was too late.

2. Discuss how this case makes you feel as a nurse.

As a nurse, I want to be able to educate families on the importance of signs and symptoms of sepsis. As a nurse, I feel that I need to be educated more and research more on sepsis. I feel that it is my duty and right to my patients to know what is going on with them and what I need to look out for. I also feel that I should be able to educate those around me on the importance of when to get help or when to take them to the hospital.

3. Discuss the actual or possible "failures" in this scenario.
   The first failure that I noticed was how the school did not properly cleanse his cut and just put a band aid over it. I feel that they should've sent him to the nurse or used the proper kit to clean it. I also felt that the Pediatrician should've known the signs and sent the child to the ER and not home. Also, they said they discharged him and did not keep him for how sick he was. I feel that it also should be posted on websites, especially the CDC and other health care websites.
4. How will you use what you learned from Rory's case as a nurse, and how will this information guide your future practice?
   As a future nurse I want to focus on education and provide the best instructions I can to all families. I want them to be confident in when to come to the ER and what signs to watch out for. I also want to make sure I am always educating myself to know what is new and to watch out for new patient findings. I want to take my time and do a good assessment to ensure that I do not miss anything. I want to provide the best discharge instructions as well as make sure the patient understands what to look out for.

Place your answers to these questions in the **Unit 8 Shock Dropbox by 0800 on 3/27/2023**. Be prepared to share and discuss your thoughts in class.

In order to receive full credit (1 hour class time) for this assignment, it must be completed in its entirety by the due date/time assigned. Any assignments not completed in its entirety will result in missed class time.