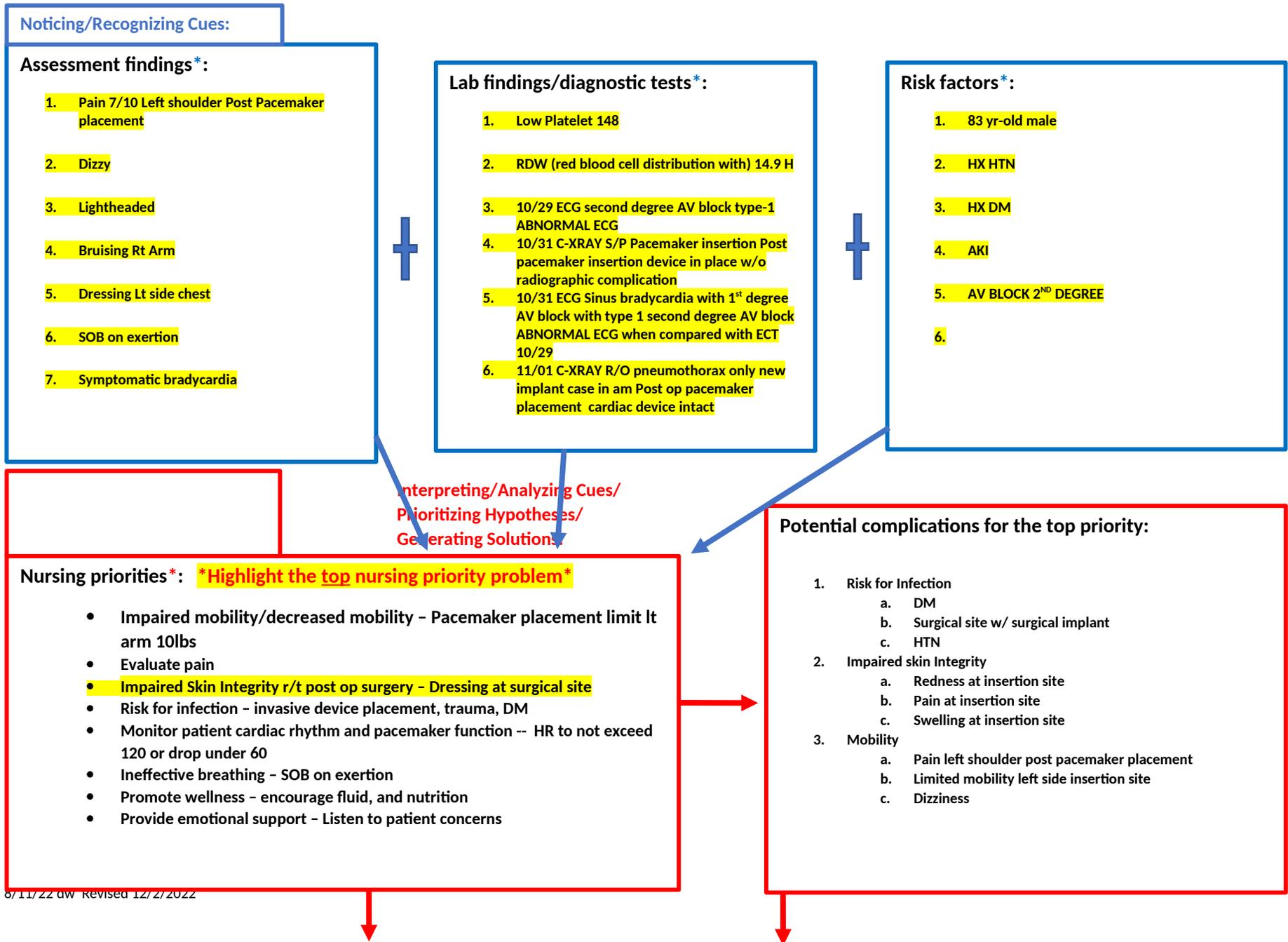


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**Responding/Taking Actions:**

**Nursing interventions for the top priority:**

- **Assess Patient Pain q4h**
  - Rational: If pain increases this could mean there is a problem with the pacemaker placement, lead dislodgement, or the start of infection.
- **Assess surgical site for Infection**
  - Rational: Inspect site and area around surgical site for hematoma, redness, edema, warmth, drainage, or tenderness, this could indicate the presence of infection with a potential for skin breakdown.
- **Assess cardiac monitoring**
  - Rational: Monitor ECG for changes in rate and rhythm to ensure pacemaker to be working properly
- **Obtain Vital signs Temp, RR, BP, q2h if irregular and q4h if regular**
  - Rational: Monitor for improvement HR and BP. If a rise in temperature HR or BP this could indicate infection
- **Monitor pulses at distal site from pacemaker insertion**
  - Rational: Tissue edema could compress arterial flow resulting in absent or diminished pulse.
- **Limit movement in left arm to prevent injury for at least 2 weeks**
  - Rational: This prevents accidental dislodgement of lead wires
- **Note and document character of surgical site around bandage**
  - Rational: to ensure proper healing of Surgical site
- **Educate patient**

**Reflecting/Evaluate Outcomes:**

**Evaluation of the top priority:**

- **Vital Signs 97.3 degree Fahrenheit, pulse rate 83, BP 96/60**
- **Patient surgical dressing intact skin around cool and absent from hematuria, redness**
- **Continue Plan of Care**