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EBP Poster – Phase 1

“Life Beyond the Hospital: Reducing Readmission for COPD Patients”

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Question: What is one way to improve attendance at transitional care clinic (TCC) appointments to decrease the risk of hospital readmission of patients with COPD?

- A) Expand the availability of appointments at the TCC.
- B) Provide educational resources while at their clinic visit about COPD.
- C) Have clinic staff discuss the importance of follow-up in person while the patient is still admitted in the hospital.
- D) Reducing follow-up periods to one week after discharge.

Correct Answer:

C) Have clinic staff discuss the importance of follow-up in person while the patient is still admitted in the hospital.

The answer to the multiple-choice question came from pg. 178 under the sections, “Lessons Learned/Nursing Implications and Conclusion” in the first paragraph.