

Sepsis/Shock Content

Lewis-42

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On-line Content (1hr)

Learning Objectives:

- Compare the effects of shock, sepsis, systemic inflammatory response syndrome, and multiple organ dysfunction on the major body systems. (1,2)*
- Compare the interprofessional care, drug therapy, and nursing management of patients with different types of shock. (1,5,6)*
- Describe the interprofessional care and nursing management of a patient experiencing multiple organ dysfunction syndrome. (1,2,6)*

*Course Objectives

Assignment:

Read Lewis Chapter 42

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.
 - a. This video made me feel extremely distraught and upset. For a family who does not come directly from healthcare, it must have been so upsetting and scary to know that there is something wrong with their child and then have the healthcare professionals not be able to help them. I cannot imagine the feelings of losing a child due to something that could have been prevented.
2. Discuss how this case makes you feel as a nurse.
 - a. As a nurse this made me feel disappointed at the lack of education on sepsis as well as lack of attentiveness from the healthcare staff. To have them send the child home with their family while there is actively something wrong is something that should never happen. This

family was failed by the hospital, the pediatrician, and other staff that they encountered during this horrible time.

3. Discuss the actual or possible “failures” in this scenario.
 - a. The failures in this scenario were the staff’s failure to have adequate knowledge on the signs of sepsis. This could have prevented this little boy from his preventable demise. Another failure is the medical fields lack of studies done on sepsis for others to have knowledge on this problem that is becoming more common.
4. How will you use what you learned from Rory’s case as a nurse, and how will this information guide your future practice?
 - a. I will use this information in a sense that I need to ensure that I am assessing my patients properly especially if they are exhibiting signs that are abnormal for their baseline. It is important that we are taking these signs seriously so that way our patients are receiving the proper care to prevent these fatalities from happening.

Place your answers to these questions in the **Unit 8 Shock Dropbox by 0800 on 3/24/2025**. 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 and must be completed by the end of the semester to pass the course.