

N311 Care Plan #2

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Demographics (5 points)

Date of Admission 5/28/19	Patient Initials V.P.	Age 80 y/o	Gender Female
Race/Ethnicity White/Caucasian	Occupation Retired	Marital Status Widowed	Allergies Solu- Medrol
Code Status DNR- Comfort Care	Height 5' 6"	Weight 121.8 lb	

Medical History (5 Points)**Past Medical History:**

COPD, Covid-19 during stay, repeated falls, other abnormalities of gait and mobility, unspecified hyperlipidemia, unspecified anxiety disorder, single episode unspecified major depressive disorder, unspecified mild Alzheimer's disease, dementia in other diseases classified elsewhere w/o behavioral disturbance, unsteadiness on feet, weakness, history of falling, personal history of nicotine dependence, dependence on the supplemental oxygen, scoliosis, unspecified difficulty walking

Past Surgical History: No past surgical history

Family History: No known family history

Social History (tobacco/alcohol/drugs): Past use of tobacco; No past use of alcohol or drugs

Admission Assessment

Chief Complaint (2 points): Confusion

History of present Illness (10 points): On April 28th, 2019- a 71-year-old, white woman was brought to the skilled nursing facility by family and was admitted due to the increased confusion. V.P. is still currently living in the skilled nursing facility. Her illness is moderate to severe and has been since 5/29/19. The characteristics associated with this patient's illness are erratic behaviors. An aggravating factor I noticed was when the patient moved away from her normal routine. The patient is relieved when she is reoriented. The treatment she is receiving is 24-hour care at an assisted living facility and oxygen therapy at 3L via nasal cannula.

Primary Diagnosis

Primary Diagnosis on Admission (3 points): Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)

Secondary Diagnosis (if applicable): n/a

Pathophysiology of the Disease, APA format (20 points):

Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) is an inflammatory lung disease that causes obstructed airflow to the lungs. (Capriotti & Frizzell, 2015) The most common etiology of COPD is long term exposure to irritants to the lungs. (Capriotti & Frizzell, 2015) Some common forms of irritants are asbestos and tobacco. (Capriotti & Frizzell, 2015) The patient has a history that includes tobacco usage.

A risk factor for COPD is smoking and working around air pollutants. (Capriotti & Frizzell, 2015) From the chart, we are shown that V.P. smoked but are unaware of how long. She is a retired cook and may have worked around air pollutants.

Symptoms of COPD include shortness of breath, chest tightness, cough, mucus (sputum) production, frequent respiratory infections. lack of energy- as seen in V.P., unintended weight

loss in the later stages- also seen in V.P. and wheezing. (Martini et al., 2018) COPD symptoms often do not appear until significant lung damage has occurred, and they usually worsen over time, particularly if smoking exposure continues. (Martini et al., 2018)

Some physical findings found in COPD are an expanded chest (barrel chest), wheezing during normal breathing, taking longer to exhale fully, and decreased breath sounds, or abnormal breath sounds such as crackles. (Martini et al., 2018)

The diagnostic testing that is done to determine COPD Lung (pulmonary) function tests. (Mayo Clinic, 2020) Pulmonary function tests measure the amount of air you can inhale and exhale, and whether your lungs deliver enough oxygen to your blood. During the most common test, called spirometry, you blow into a large tube connected to a small machine to measure how much air your lungs can hold and how fast you can blow the air out of your lungs. (Mayo Clinic, 2020) Other tests include measurement of lung volumes and diffusing capacity, six-minute walk test, and pulse oximetry. (Mayo Clinic, 2020)

A chest X-ray can show emphysema, one of the main causes of COPD. (Martini et al., 2018) An X-ray can also rule out other lung problems or heart failure. (Martini et al., 2018) A CT scan of your lungs can help detect emphysema and help determine if you might benefit from surgery for COPD. (Martini et al., 2018) CT scans can also be used to screen for lung cancer. (Martini et al., 2018) Arterial blood gas analysis measures how well your lungs are bringing oxygen into your blood and removing carbon dioxide. (Martini et al., 2018)

Forms of treatment for COPD are short-acting bronchodilator inhalers. (Martini et al., 2018) Some people with COPD, short-acting bronchodilator inhalers are the first treatment used

but long-acting bronchodilator inhalers and steroid inhalers may also be used. (Martini et al., 2018) The client is using oxygen and short- acting bronchodilators as treatment for her COPD.

Pathophysiology References (2) (APA):

Capriotti, T.M., & Frizzell, J.P., "Pathophysiology: Introductory Concepts and Clinical Perspectives" (2015).

Martini, F., Ober, C. E., Welch, K., & Hutchings, R. T. “Visual Anatomy & Physiology” (2018)

Copd. (2020, April 15). Retrieved March 01, 2021, from <https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/copd/symptoms-causes/syc-20353679>.

Laboratory Data (20 points)

If laboratory data is unavailable, values will be assigned by the clinical instructor

CBC Highlight All Abnormal Labs—Explanations must be in complete sentences and contain in-text citations in APA format.

Lab	Normal Range	Admission Value	Today's Value	Reason for Abnormal Value
RBC	Male: 4.7-6.1 Female: 4.2-5.4	n/a	3.62	Reason unknown- a potential cause may be internal bleeding

Hgb	Male:14-18 g/dL Female: 12-16 g/dL	n/a	8.0	Hgb is low due to having COPD
Hct	Male: 40-52% Female: 36-47%	n/a	37.8	
Platelets	150-400 x 10⁹/L	n/a	180	
WBC	5-10 x 10⁹/ L	n/a	3.6	WBC may be low due to dietary deficiencies
Neutrophils	55-70	n/a	61	
Lymphocytes	20-40	n/a	18	Lymphocytes may be low due to dietary deficiencies
Monocytes	2-8	n/a	9	“Patients with severe COPD had increased numbers of total circulating monocytes and non-classical patrolling monocytes, compared to normal subjects and patients with moderate COPD” (R. Finkelstein et al., 1995)
Eosinophils	1-4	n/a	11	“Eosinophils are mediators of inflammation in many patients with COPD. Although a widely accepted threshold to define eosinophilic inflammation in the context of COPD has not been firmly established, elevated eosinophil counts have been associated with reduced lung function and increased risk of exacerbations in patients with COPD.” (Role of Eosinophils in Airway Inflammation of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, 2018)
Bands	0.5-1	n/a	*n/a	

Chemistry **Highlight All Abnormal Labs**—Explanations must be in complete sentences and contain in-text citations in APA format.

Lab	Normal Range	Admission Value	Today's Value	Reason For Abnormal
Na-	136-145 mEq/L		140	
K+	3.5-5 mEq/L		3.4	May be cause by insufficient dietary intake
Cl-	98-106 mEq/L		102	
CO2	23-30 mEq/L		32	High CO2 may be due to too much bicarbonate in blood-COPD
Glucose	74-106 mg/dL		105	
BUN	10-20 mg/dL		6	Low BUN values may be due to malnutrition (Capriotti & Frizzell, 2015)
Creatinine	0.5-1.1 mg/dL	<0.5	<0.7	
Albumin	3.5-5 g/dL	n/a	4.0	
Calcium	9-10.5 mg/dL	n/a	9.5	
Mag	1.3-2.1 mEq/L	n/a	n/a	
Phosphate	3-4.5 mg/dL	n/a	n/a	
Bilirubin	0.3-1 mg/dL	n/a	0.3	
Alk Phos	30-120 U/L	n/a	n/a	

Urinalysis **Highlight All Abnormal Labs**—Explanations must be in complete sentences and contain in-text citations in APA format.

Lab Test	Normal Range	Value on Admission	Today's Value	Reason for Abnormal
Color & Clarity	Clear, Amber/ Yellow	n/a	n/a	
pH	4.6-8	n/a	n/a	

	Average: 6			
Specific Gravity	1.005-1.03	n/a	n/a	
Glucose	50-300 mg/day	n/a	n/a	
Protein	0-8 mg/dL	n/a	n/a	
Ketones	negative	n/a	n/a	
WBC	0-4 per low-power field Negative for cast	n/a	n/a	
RBC	Less than or equal to 2 Negative for cast	n/a	n/a	
Leukoesterase	negative	n/a	n/a	

Cultures **Highlight All Abnormal Labs**—Explanations must be in complete sentences and contain in-text citations in APA format.

Test	Normal Range	Value on Admission	Today's Value	Explanation of Findings
Urine Culture	Negative: less than 10,000 per mm of U Positive: greater than 100,000 per mm of U	n/a	n/a	
Blood Culture	Negative	n/a	n/a	
Sputum Culture	Normal Upper RT	n/a	n/a	
Stool Culture	Normal intestinal	n/a	n/a	

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Lab Correlations Reference (APA):

Chernecky, C. C., & Berger, B. J. (2008). *Laboratory tests and diagnostic procedures*. St. Louis, MO: Saunders Elsevier.

Pagana, K. D., Pagana, T. J., & Pagana, T. N. (2020). *Mosby's diagnostic and laboratory test reference*. St. Louis, MO: Elsevier.

**R. Finkelstein, R. S. F., JC. Hogg, F. C., Hiemstra, P. S., Barnes, P. J., L. van de Laar, W. S., S. Yona, K. W. K., ... C. Costa, R. R. (1995, January 1). *Activation and polarization of circulating monocytes in severe chronic obstructive pulmonary disease*.
<https://bmcpulmed.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12890-018-0664-y>.**

**Tashkin, D. P., & Wechsler, M. E. (2018, January 17). *Role of eosinophils in airway inflammation of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease*. *International journal of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease*.
<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5777380/#:~:text=Although%20a%20widely%20accepted%20threshold,exacerbations%20in%20patients%20with%20COPD>.**

Diagnostic Imaging

All Other Diagnostic Tests (10 points):

N/A

**Current Medications (10 points, 2 points per completed med)
*5 different medications must be completed***

Medications (5 required)

Brand/Generic	Spiriva Handi Haler/Tiotropium bromide	Namenda/Memantine hydrochloride	Ativan/Lorazepam	Abilify/aripiprazole	ProAir HFA/Albuterol Sulfate
Dose	18 mcg	10 mg	80 mg	5 mg	2 puffs
Frequency	1x day	2x day	1x day	1x day	Every 4 hours
Route	P.O.	P.O.	P.O.	P.O.	P.O.
Classification	Anticholinergic, Bronchodilator	N-methyl-D-aspartate, Antidementia agent	Benzodiazepine, Anxiolytic	Atypical antipsychotic, Antipsychotic	Adrenergic, Bronchodilator
Mechanism of Action	Prevents acetylcholine from attaching to muscarinic receptors on membranes of smooth muscle cells. By	Memantine blocks the excitatory amino acid glutamate on N- methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptor cells in the CNS	May potentiate the effects of gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA) and other inhibitory neurotransmitters by binding to the specific	May produce antipsychotic effects through partial agonist and antagonist actions. Aripiprazole acts as a partial agonist to dopamine	Albuterol attaches to beta 2 receptors on bronchial cell membranes, which stimulates the intracellular

	blocking the acetylcholine effects in the bronchi and bronchioles, tiotropium relaxes smooth muscles and causes bronchodilation		benzodiazepine receptors in cortical and limbic areas of CNS. GABA inhibits excitatory stimulus, which helps control emotional behavior	receptors and serotonin receptors. The drug acts as an antagonist at serotonin receptor sites.	enzyme adenylate cyclase to convert adenosine triphosphate. This reaction decreases intracellular calcium levels.
Reason Client Taking	COPD	Dementia	Anxiety	Alzheimer’s Disease	COPD
Contraindications (2)	Hypersensitivity to atropine or its derivatives, including ipratropium, tiotropium, or their components	Acute asthma, severe respiratory depression	Acute angle closure glaucoma, hypersensitivity to lorazepam	Hypersensitivity to aripiprazole or its components	Toxic megacolon and low amount of potassium in the blood
Side Effects/Adverse Reactions (2)	depression, atrial fibrillation	Agitation, seizures	Coma, seizures	Hepatitis, heart failure	Angina, Hypotension (Learning, 2020)

Medications Reference (APA):

LEARNING, J. &. (2020). *NURSE'S DRUG HANDBOOK 2021*. S.I.: JONES & BARTLETT LEARNING.

Assessment

Physical Exam (18 points)

<p>GENERAL: Alertness: Orientation: Distress: Overall appearance:</p>	<p>Alert and Oriented to person x1 Intermittently distressed because of antsy or erratic behavior. Adequately groomed and dressed appropriately</p>
<p>INTEGUMENTARY: Skin color: Character: Temperature: Turgor: Rashes: Bruises: Wounds: . Braden Score: Drains present: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Type:</p>	<p>Pink Dry/Norm Warm Poor Turgor/Tenting None None None 16</p>
<p>HEENT: Head/Neck: Ears: Eyes: Nose: Teeth:</p>	<p>Head and neck symmetrical, normal cephalic Ears are free of discharge. Eyes symmetrical, (unable to perform EOM-pt sleeping) Nose symmetrical, no deviation, (unknown, unable to perform-pt sleeping)</p>
<p>CARDIOVASCULAR: Heart sounds: S1, S2, S3, S4, murmur etc. Cardiac rhythm (if applicable): Peripheral Pulses: Capillary refill: Neck Vein Distention: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Edema Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Location of Edema:</p>	<p>.</p>
<p>RESPIRATORY: Accessory muscle use: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Breath Sounds: Location, character</p>	<p>.</p>

<p>GASTROINTESTINAL: Diet at home: Current Diet Height: Weight: Auscultation Bowel sounds: Last BM: Palpation: Pain, Mass etc.: Inspection: Distention: Incisions: Scars: Drains: Wounds: Ostomy: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Nasogastric: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Size: Feeding tubes/PEG tube Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Type:</p>	<p>.</p>
<p>GENITOURINARY: Color: Character: Quantity of urine: Pain with urination: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Dialysis: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Inspection of genitals: Catheter: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Type: Size:</p>	<p>.</p>
<p>MUSCULOSKELETAL: Neurovascular status: ROM: Supportive devices: Strength: ADL Assistance: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Fall Risk: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Fall Score: Activity/Mobility Status: Independent (up ad lib) <input type="checkbox"/> Needs assistance with equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Needs support to stand and walk <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>.</p>
<p>NEUROLOGICAL: MAEW: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PERLA: Y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>.</p>

Strength Equal: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> if no - Legs <input type="checkbox"/> Arms <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Orientation: Mental Status: Speech: Sensory: LOC:	
PSYCHOSOCIAL/CULTURAL: Coping method(s): Developmental level: Religion & what it means to pt.: Personal/Family Data (Think about home environment, family structure, and available family support):	.

Vital Signs, 1 set (5 points)

Time	Pulse	B/P	Resp Rate	Temp	Oxygen
8:40	105	105/74	12	97.5 F	98%

Pain Assessment, 1 set (5 points)

Time	Scale	Location	Severity	Characteristics	Interventions
9:50	0-10	-	0, denies	-	-

Intake and Output (2 points)

Intake (in mL)	Output (in mL)
120 mL	Heavily soiled x1

Nursing Diagnosis (15 points)

Must be NANDA approved nursing diagnosis

<p>Nursing Diagnosis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include full nursing diagnosis with “related to” and “as evidenced by” components 	<p>Rational</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain why the nursing diagnosis was chosen 	<p>Intervention (2 per dx)</p>	<p>Evaluation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How did the patient/family respond to the nurse’s actions? • Client response, status of goals and outcomes, modifications to plan.
<p>Impaired gas exchange related to COPD evidenced by elevated CO2</p>	<p>V.P. uses a nasal cannula to sustain adequate oxygenation</p>	<p>1. Use of nasal cannula at 3L 2. Administer Albuterol Inhaler every 4 hours</p>	<p>1. Goal met- pt used nasal cannula all day to meet necessary oxygenation requirements. 2. Goal met- medicine was given by RN</p>
<p>1. Impaired mobility, wheelchair related to dementia evidenced by use of wheelchair</p>	<p>Pt uses wheelchair to be mobile because of later stages of dementia and is unable to walk</p>	<p>1. ROM exercises 2x daily 2. Rehabilitation</p>	<p>N/A</p>

Other References (APA):

Concept Map (20 Points):



