

N431 Care Plan 1

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**Demographics (3 points)**

<b>Date of Admission</b> 9/15/2022	<b>Client Initials</b> AT	<b>Age</b> 34	<b>Gender</b> Male
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b> White	<b>Occupation</b> Unemployed	<b>Marital Status</b> Single	<b>Allergies</b> PCN- rash, Diphenhydramine= agitation
<b>Code Status</b> Full	<b>Height</b> 5'2''	<b>Weight</b> 136	

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

AT has permanent blindness, epilepsy, and is developmentally delayed. The patient was diagnosed with an optic glioma tumor on the left optic nerve in 1988. A craniotomy was performed to remove the optic glioma and optic nerve behind the left eye at 9 months of age, resulting in permanent vision loss in the left eye. The glioma metastasized on the right optic nerve, resulting in permanent damaging remaining in the right eye. The right eye has light and dark vision only. The patient is therefore legally blind. Chemotherapy and radiation therapy was used to treat the remaining glioma in 1989-1991. A combination of surgery, chemotherapy and radiation therapy resulted in a condition consistent with traumatic brain injury, and contributed to or caused developmental delays. Cumulative damage from surgery, chemotherapy, and radiation therapy is also suspected as the underlying cause of epilepsy. Epilepsy was diagnosed in 2009. There is a regular occurrence of seizures five to six times per week persists, even with daily medication. In 2017, AT experienced a stroke which has left him with left-sided weakness, earlier this year AT had multiple strokes affecting his mobility, eating/swallowing, and strength on the right side of his body.

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**Past Surgical History:** AT underwent a crainotomy, optic nerve surgery, surgery to retrieve an undescended testicle, and his PEG tube placement was on 6/10/22

**Family History:** AT's mother has diabetes. No other significant findings from other family members.

**Social History (tobacco/alcohol/drugs including frequency, quantity and duration of use):**

The patient has never used any tobacco, alcohol, or drugs.

**Assistive Devices:** The patient uses a hooyer lift at home.

**Living Situation:**The patient lives with his mother and father in a house.

**Education Level:**I was unable to assess as AT's dad was teleworking in the patient's room.

### Admission Assessment

**Chief Complaint (2 points):** Aspiration pneumonia,Acute respiratory insufficiency secondary to above, Sepsis (fever, tachycardia, respiratory insufficiency, possible aspiration pneumonia)

**History of Present Illness – OLD CARTS (10 points):** AT is a 34 years old caucasian male who presented to the emergency department by his parents/primary caregivers for complaints of increased congestion cough for last 3 days. According to the parents, the patient has looked very uncomfortable in the last 3 or 4 days. He has been moaning, not following limited commands like he normally does, sounds very congested, and coughing up a lot. His temperature was 99° at home yesterday per his mother. According to the father, the patient has been progressively deteriorating. His symptoms are localized to the lungs and airway as well as his systemic baseline cognitive function. The parents state that the patient's symptoms are constant throughout the day but worsen in the mornings. The patient's parents state that AT's coughing usually helps clear some secretions but otherwise they are no relieving factors. The patient has not been hospitalized prior for pneumonia/sepsis before .

### **Primary Diagnosis**

**Primary Diagnosis on Admission (2 points): Aspiration pneumonia**

**Secondary Diagnosis (if applicable): Sepsis**

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

**Aspiration pneumonia is the infectious pulmonary response that occurs after abnormal entry of fluids into the lower respiratory tract. The aspirated fluid includes oropharyngeal secretions, particulate matter, or gastric content. Aspiration pneumonitis refers to inhalational acute lung injury after aspiration of sterile gastric contents. On a cellular level, the mucociliary mechanism and alveolar macrophages should act as defenses in clearing micro aspirations from the secretions. The pathological process of aspiration pneumonia occurs when a predisposed individual's standard defense mechanisms fail. When aspirated fluid enters the bronchi, they trigger an anti-inflammatory reaction by releasing proinflammatory cytokines, tumor necrosis factor-alpha, and interleukins. Killing the usual organisms from the oral cavity and esophagus results in an infectious process. If the bacterial amount of aspirate is low, the typical host defenses will clear the secretions and prevent infection (Sanivarapu & Gibson, 2019). The signs and symptoms of aspiration pneumonia include chest pain, expectorating foul-smelling, greenish or dark phlegm (sputum), phlegm containing pus or blood, fatigue, fever, and shortness of breath. (Penn Medicine, 2019). Aspiration Pneumonia expected findings included a high white blood cell count and a high neutrophil count, and a sputum culture positive for a type of organism. The treatment for aspiration pneumonia usually includes antibiotics and an increase in PO**

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**fluids. AT is currently on cephalexin 250mg per his G-tube. Upon admission AT had a WBC count of 18.24 and a neutrophil count of 13.38, which allude to an infection.**

**Pathophysiology References (2) (APA):**

Capriotti, T. M. (2020). *Davis advantage for pathophysiology introductory concepts and clinical perspectives* (2nd ed.). F. A. Davis Company.

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Overbaugh, J.L.H.K.H.C. K. (2021). *Lippincott coursepoint enhanced for Brunner & Suddarth's textbook of medical-surgical nursing*. [CoursePoint]. Retrieved from

Penn Medicine. (2019, July 23). *Aspiration pneumonia - Symptoms and causes*.

Www.pennmedicine.org. <https://www.pennmedicine.org/for-patients-and-visitors/patient-information/conditions-treated-a-to-z/aspiration-pneumonia>

Sanivarapu, R. R., & Gibson, J. (2019, September 29). *Aspiration pneumonia*. Nih.gov;

StatPearls Publishing. <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK470459/>

**Laboratory Data (15 points)**

**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	4/1-5.7	4.40	4.75	Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).
Hgb	12-18	12.9	13.9	Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).
Hct	37-51	39.3	42.3	Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).
Platelets	140-400	290	327	Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).

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<b>WBC</b>	<b>4-11</b>	<b>18.24</b>	<b>12.72</b>	<b>AT's high WBC level is related to the patient's septic response (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Neutrophils</b>	<b>1.6-7.7</b>	<b>13.38</b>	<b>6.86</b>	<b>AT's neutrophils are high due to his infection from aspiration pneumonia (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Lymphocytes</b>	<b>1-4.8</b>	<b>2.18</b>	<b>4.54</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Monocytes</b>	<b>2-8</b>	<b>2.08</b>	<b>0.76</b>	<b>AT's high level of monocytes are due to his infection but as the infection was controlled they decreased to a low number (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Eosinophils</b>	<b>1-4</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>AT's infection and sepsis most likely cause the elevated eosinophils (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Bands</b>	<b>0-5</b>		<b>0.9</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>

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

<b>Lab</b>	<b>Normal Range</b>	<b>Admission Value</b>	<b>Today's Value</b>	<b>Reason For Abnormal</b>
<b>Na-</b>	<b>135-145</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>K+</b>	<b>3.5-5</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Cl-</b>	<b>98-106</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>CO2</b>	<b>23-30</b>	<b>26.0</b>	<b>29.0</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Glucose</b>	<b>74-106</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>BUN</b>	<b>10-20</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Creatinine</b>	<b>0.5-0.8</b>	<b>0.71</b>	<b>0.75</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>

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<b>Albumin</b>	<b>3.5-5.7</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Protein is lost through the GI tract during the inflammatory process. AT's infection is the likely cause of low albumin (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Calcium</b>	<b>8.8-10.2</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>The patient's low calcium could be due to his under functioning thyroid and pituitary gland or hypocalcemia could be caused by an electrolyte imbalance through his TPN (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Mag</b>	<b>1.6-2.6</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Phosphate</b>	<b>2.2-4.5</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Bilirubin</b>	<b>0.2-0.8</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Alk Phos</b>	<b>40-150</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>AST</b>	<b>5-34</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>ALT</b>	<b>0-55</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Amylase</b>	<b>40-140</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Lipase</b>	<b>0-160</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).</b>
<b>Lactic Acid</b>	<b>0.5-2.0</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Troponin</b>	<b>0-0.03</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>CK-MB</b>	<b>3-5%</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Total CK</b>	<b>200-395</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>

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

<b>Lab Test</b>	<b>Normal</b>	<b>Value on</b>	<b>Today's</b>	<b>Reason for Abnormal</b>
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	Range	Admission	Value	
INR	0.9-1.1	N/A	N/A	N/A
PT	11.7-13.8	N/A	N/A	N/A
PTT	25-36	N/A	N/A	N/A
D-Dimer	<0.5	N/A	N/A	N/A
BNP	<100	N/A	N/A	N/A
HDL	<60	N/A	N/A	N/A
LDL	>70	N/A	N/A	N/A
Cholesterol	125-200	N/A	N/A	N/A
Triglycerides	<150	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hgb A1c	>5.7	N/A	N/A	N/A
TSH	0.35-4.94	N/A	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	Colorless/ yellow	Yellow/ clear	Yellow/ Clear	Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).
pH	5-9	7.0	N/A	Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).
Specific Gravity	1-1.03	1.015	N/A	Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).
Glucose	Neg	Neg	N/A	Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).
Protein	Neg	Neg	N/A	Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).
Ketones	Neg	Neg	N/A	Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).
WBC	0-25	Neg	N/A	Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).
RBC	0-20	Neg	N/A	Within normal limits (Pagana et al., 2021).
Leukoesterase	Neg	<b>Small</b>	N/A	Leukoesterase cells are WBC's that have been excreted through

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				the urine. The occurrence of these is mostly caused by the patient's high serum WBC level and his infection Pagana et al., 2021).
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Arterial Blood Gas **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
pH	7.35-7.45	N/A	N/A	N/A
PaO2	80-100	N/A	N/A	N/A
PaCO2	35-45	N/A	N/A	N/A
HCO3	22-26	N/A	N/A	N/A
SaO2	95-100	N/A	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	Neg:<10,000 Pos:>100,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
Blood Culture	Negative	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sputum Culture	Negative URT	N/A	N/A	N/A
Stool Culture	Normal intestinal flora	N/A	N/A	N/A

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**Lab Correlations Reference (1) (APA):**

Kathleen Deska Pagana, Timothy James Pagana, & Theresa Noel Pagana. (2021).

*Mosby's diagnostic and laboratory test reference.* Elsevier.

**Diagnostic Imaging**

**All Other Diagnostic Tests (5 points):**

**Chest X-ray on 9/17/22 and an MRI of the brain on 9/18/22 were completed.**

**Diagnostic Test Correlation (5 points):**

**CXR-Lungs/pleura: Pulmonary venous congestion with hazy lower lung opacities. No large pleural effusion or definite pneumothorax identified radiographically. Heart/mediastinum:**

**Prominent cardiopericardial silhouette accentuated by portable technique. Bones/Soft**

**Impression: Mild pulmonary venous congestion accentuated by portable technique. Hazy lower lung opacities may relate to trace pleural effusions with adjacent atelectasis/**

**infiltrates ( Mayo Clinic Staff, 2022).**

**MRI of brain: Moderate stenosis of right carotid terminus, Mild stenosis of M1 segment of right middle cerebral artery, A1 segment of left ACA is likely hypoplastic occlusion cannot**

**be entirely excluded, No significant vascular stenosis throughout the neck (Cleveland**

**Clinic, 2022).**

**Diagnostic Test Reference (1) (APA):**

Cleveland Clinic. (2022, May 9). *Brain MRI: What it is, purpose, procedure & results.*

Cleveland Clinic. <https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/diagnostics/22966-brain-mri>

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Mayo Clinic. (2022, March 5). *Chest x-rays - mayo clinic*. Mayoclinic.org.

<https://www.mayoclinic.org/tests-procedures/chest-x-rays/about/pac-20393494>

**Current Medications (10 points, 1 point per completed med)  
\*10 different medications must be completed\***

**Home Medications (5 required)**

<b>Brand/Generic</b>	<b>Amlodipine Norvasc</b>	<b>Atorvastatin Lipitor</b>	<b>Levothyroxine</b>	<b>Acetaminophen Tylenol</b>	<b>Diphenhydramine Atropine Ipratropium</b>
<b>Dose</b>	<b>5mg</b>	<b>20mg</b>	<b>137mcg</b>	<b>650mg</b>	<b>25mg</b>
<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Daily</b>	<b>Daily</b>	<b>Daily</b>	<b>Daily PRN for pain</b>	<b>BID</b>
<b>Route</b>	<b>G-tube</b>	<b>G-tube</b>	<b>G-tube</b>	<b>G-tube</b>	<b>G-tube</b>
<b>Classification</b>	<b>Calcium-channel blocker</b>	<b>Antihyperlipidemic</b>	<b>Thyroid hormone replacement</b>	<b>Nonsalicylate non-opioid analgesic</b>	<b>Anticholinergic</b>
<b>Mechanism of Action</b>	<b>Binds to dihydropyridine and nondihydropyridine cell membrane receptor sites on myocardial and vascular smooth-muscle cells and inhibits influx of</b>	<b>Reduces plasma cholesterol and lipoprotein levels by inhibiting HMG-COA reductase and cholesterol synthesis in the liver and by increasing the number of LDL</b>	<b>Replaces endogenous thyroid hormone, which may exert its physiologic effects by controlling DNA transcription and protein synthesis.</b>	<b>Inhibits the enzyme cyclooxygenase, blocking prostaglandin production and interfering with pain impulse generation in the peripheral nervous system</b>	<b>Inhibits acetylcholine's muscarinic action at the neuroeffector junctions of smooth muscles, cardiac muscle, and exocrine glands, SA/AV</b>

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	extracellular calcium ions across slow calcium channels.	receptors on liver cells to enhance LDL uptake and breakdown.			nodes, and the urinary bladder.
<b>Reason Client Taking</b>	HTN	Hypercholesteremia	Adrenal insufficiency	Pain	diarrhea/soft stools
<b>Contraindications (2)</b>	Hypersensitivity  unstable angina	Hepatic disease Elevated serum transaminase	diabetes  coronary artery disease	Hepatic impairment Renal impairment	Obstructive jaundice  hepatic disease
<b>Side Effects/Adverse Reactions (2)</b>	Pancreatitis  syncope	Myasthenia gravis  petechiae	cardiac arrest  angioedema	atelectasis  hypokalemia	amnesia  inspiratory stridor
<b>Nursing Considerations (2)</b>	Monitor blood pressure  Assess the patient frequently for signs of chest pain	Assess liver function tests before starting Lipitor therapy Monitor for signs of uncontrolled blood glucose as Lipitor can affect glucose control	Monitor the patient's who is receiving anticoagulants pt/INR  Monitor the patient's thyroid function tests.	Calculate the total intake of acetaminophen to ensure that you are not over dosing the client.  Monitor the end of a parental infusion to prevent the possibility of an air embolism.	Use cautiously with the patient's who have cardiac conduction problems  Assess bladder and bowel elimination
<b>Key Nursing Assessment(s)/Lab(s) Prior to Administration</b>	The nurse should monitor the patient's blood pressure	Liver function tests and blood glucose if the patient	Assess the patient's PT/INR, T3, T3, calcitonin, and thyroid	Monitor the patient's renal and hepatic function	Assess the patient's I/Os as well as their

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	<b>prior to administration.</b>	<b>is diabetic</b>	<b>stimulation hormone, as ordered</b>	<b>tests.</b>	<b>CMP for any electrolyte imbalances</b>
<b>Client Teaching Needs (2)</b>	<b>The patient should have their blood pressure checked routinely for hypotension. Take the medication with food to prevent GI upset.</b>	<b>Emphasize the importance of having liver function tests completed.  The drug should be taken at the same time every day.</b>	<b>Instruct the patient that hormone replacement therapy is a life-long therapy. Instruct the patient to the medication at least 30 mins before breakfast o</b>	<b>Caution the patient not to exceed the daily dose.  Teach the patient to monitor for signs of hepatotoxicity.</b>	<b>Advise the patient to notify the provider if they is any elimination difficulty  Inform the patient and family that this medication normally inhibits sweating.</b>

**Hospital Medications (5 required)**

<b>Brand/Generic</b>	<b>Amlodipine Norvasc</b>	<b>Atorvastatin Lipitor</b>	<b>Clobazam Onfi</b>	<b>Clonazepam</b>	<b>Clopidogrel Plavix</b>
<b>Dose</b>	<b>5mg</b>	<b>20mg</b>	<b>2.5mg</b>	<b>0.5 mg</b>	<b>75mg</b>
<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Daily</b>	<b>Bedtime</b>	<b>Daily</b>	<b>Daily/PRN</b>	<b>Daily</b>
<b>Route</b>	<b>G-Tube</b>	<b>G-Tube</b>	<b>G-Tube</b>	<b>G-Tube</b>	<b>G-Tube</b>

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<b>Classification</b>	<b>Calcium-channel blocker</b>	<b>Antihyperlipidemic</b>	<b>Anticonvulsant</b>	<b>Anticonvulsant/ Benzodiazepam</b>	<b>Platelet inhibitor</b>
<b>Mechanism of Action</b>	<b>Binds to dihydropyridine and nondihydropyridine cell membrane receptor sites on myocardial and vascular smooth-muscle cells and inhibits influx of extracellular calcium ions across slow calcium channels.</b>	<b>Reduces plasma cholesterol and lipoprotein levels by inhibiting HMG-COA reductase and cholesterol synthesis in the liver and by increasing the number of LDL receptors on liver cells to enhance LDL uptake and breakdown.</b>	<b>Involves potentiation of GABAergic neurotransmission which causes binding at the benzodiazepine site of the GABA<sub>A</sub> receptor to stop seizure activity.</b>	<b>Potentiates the effects of gamma-aminobutyric acid.</b>	<b>binds to adenosine diphosphate receptors on the surface of activated platelets.</b>
<b>Reason Client Taking</b>	<b>HTN</b>	<b>Hypercholesterolemia</b>	<b>Seizure</b>	<b>Seizure</b>	
<b>Contraindications (2)</b>	<b>Hypersensitivity  unstable angina</b>	<b>Hepatic disease Elevated serum transaminase</b>	<b>Hepatic disease  decreased lung function</b>	<b>acute narrow angle glaucoma  hepatic disease</b>	<b>Active bleeding  hypersensitivity to clopidogrel</b>
<b>Side Effects/Adverse Reactions (2)</b>	<b>Pancreatitis  syncope</b>	<b>Myasthenia gravis  petechiae</b>	<b>Abdominal distention  respiratory depression</b>	<b>myalgia  anemia</b>	<b>glomerulopathy  pruritis</b>
<b>Nursing Considerations (2)</b>	<b>Monitor blood</b>	<b>Assess liver</b>	<b>Monitor the patient</b>	<b>Monitor patient</b>	<b>Monitor patient</b>

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	<p>pressure</p> <p>Assess the patient frequently for signs of chest pain</p>	<p>function tests before starting Lipitor therapy</p> <p>Monitor for signs of uncontrolled blood glucose as Lipitor can affect glucose control</p>	<p>closely for any type of rash</p> <p>Watch for signs of dependency from the patient</p>	<p>closely for loss of effectiveness during a seizure</p> <p>Use cautiously in patient's with mixed seizure disorder</p>	<p>for signs of anaphylaxis</p> <p>Use clopidogrel cautiously in patient's with hepatic impairment</p>
<p><b>Key Nursing Assessment(s)/Lab(s) Prior to Administration</b></p>	<p>The nurse should monitor the patient's blood pressure prior to administration.</p>	<p>Liver function tests and blood glucose if the patient is diabetic</p>	<p>NA</p>	<p>Monitor the blood drug level, CBC, and liver enzymes during therapy as ordered</p>	<p>Monitor the patient's liver function tests as ordered</p>
<p><b>Client Teaching Needs (2)</b></p>	<p>The patient should have their blood pressure checked routinely for hypotension.</p> <p>Take the medication with food to prevent GI upset.</p>	<p>Emphasize the importance of having liver function tests completed.</p> <p>The drug should be taken at the same time every day.</p>	<p>Emphasize that when discontinuing this medication the patient will need to taper the dosage.</p> <p>Inform the patient and the patient's parents to discontinue the medication at the first sign of a rash and to notify the</p>	<p>Emphasize the patient cannot stop taking the medication abruptly and that the dose will need to be tapered down.</p> <p>Instruct the patient or family to report signs of urinary difficulty.</p>	<p>Educate the patient to avoid the use of NSAIDs</p> <p>Advise the patient that bleeding may occur for a longer period of time</p>

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			<b>provider if this occurs.</b>		
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**Medications Reference (1) (APA):**

*Nurse’s drug handbook 2022.* (2022). Jones & Bartlett Learning, LLC.

**Assessment**

**Physical Exam (18 points) – HIGHLIGHT ALL PERTINENT ABNORMAL FINDINGS**

<p><b>GENERAL:</b>  <b>Alertness:</b>  <b>Orientation:</b>  <b>Distress:</b>  <b>Overall appearance:</b></p>	<p>A&amp;O x 0, minimal distress as the patient moans occasionally, well-appearing</p>
<p><b>INTEGUMENTARY:</b>  <b>Skin color:</b>  <b>Character:</b>  <b>Temperature:</b>  <b>Turgor:</b>  <b>Rashes:</b>  <b>Bruises:</b>  <b>Wounds:</b>  <b>Braden Score:</b>  <b>Drains present:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/>      N <input type="checkbox"/>  <b>Type:</b></p>	<p>Pink          Warm          Dry          Normal skin turgor mobility          No rashes, bruises, or wounds</p> <p>13          No</p>
<p><b>HEENT:</b>  <b>Head/Neck:</b>  <b>Ears:</b>  <b>Eyes:</b>  <b>Nose:</b>  <b>Teeth:</b></p>	<p>Head and neck are symmetrical, the trachea is midline without deviation, the thyroid is non-palpable, no noted nodules, No lymphadenopathy is noted in head or neck.          Eyes are white and clear, the conjunctiva is pink, small crust lines the eyes bilaterally.</p>

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	The septum is midline, moist, and pink, some congestion, no bleeding or polyps noted, Dentition is good, oral mucosa is pink and a little dry
<b>CARDIOVASCULAR:</b> <b>Heart sounds:</b> <b>S1, S2, S3, S4, murmur etc.</b> <b>Cardiac rhythm (if applicable):</b> <b>Peripheral Pulses:</b> <b>Capillary refill:</b> <b>Neck Vein Distention:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Edema</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Location of Edema:</b>	Clear S1,S2, without murmurs, gallops, or rubs. Normal rate rhythm NSR 2+, intact >3 seconds No No
<b>RESPIRATORY:</b> <b>Accessory muscle use:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Breath Sounds: Location, character</b>	No Course crackles throughout all lung fields and very wet sounding bilaterally
<b>GASTROINTESTINAL:</b> <b>Diet at home:</b> <b>Current Diet</b> <b>Height:</b> <b>Weight:</b> <b>Auscultation Bowel sounds:</b> <b>Last BM:</b> <b>Palpation: Pain, Mass etc.:</b> <b>Inspection:</b> <b>Distention:</b> <b>Incisions:</b> <b>Scars:</b> <b>Drains:</b> <b>Wounds:</b> <b>Ostomy:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Nasogastric:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Size:</b> <b>Feeding tubes/PEG tube</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Type:</b>	. NPO NPO 5'2''inches 136 lbs Normoactive in all four quadrants 0947 None noted G-tube None None None No No Yes PEG, 20 French
<b>GENITOURINARY:</b> <b>Color:</b> <b>Character:</b> <b>Quantity of urine:</b> <b>Pain with urination:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Dialysis:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Inspection of genitals:</b>	Yellow Clear 250cc No No Underdeveloped due to adrenal insufficiency

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<b>Catheter:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Type:</b> <b>Size:</b>	Yes External Catheter 14 fr
<b>MUSCULOSKELETAL:</b> <b>Neurovascular status:</b> <b>ROM:</b> <b>Supportive devices:</b> <b>Strength:</b> <b>ADL Assistance:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Fall Risk:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Fall Score:</b> <b>Activity/Mobility Status:</b> <b>Independent (up ad lib)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Needs assistance with equipment</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Needs support to stand and walk</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	. A&O x O diminished Hoyer lift Weak Yes Yes 50 Max assist, hoyer lift, 3+ people  Yes
<b>NEUROLOGICAL:</b> <b>MAEW:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>PERLA:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Strength Equal:</b> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> if no - <b>Legs</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Arms</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Both</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Orientation:</b> <b>Mental Status:</b> <b>Speech:</b> <b>Sensory:</b> <b>LOC:</b>	No No Yes  A&O x 0 Underdeveloped The patient is unable to articulate speech The client is not conscious to his environment
<b>PSYCHOSOCIAL/CULTURAL:</b> <b>Coping method(s):</b> <b>Developmental level:</b> <b>Religion &amp; what it means to pt.:</b> <b>Personal/Family Data (Think about home environment, family structure, and available family support):</b>	The client likes to toys and rattles to stimulate his hands. Most of his body is weak due to strokes and epilepsy so he is able to occupy himself with these toys. N/A the client's religion. The client's parents take very good care of their son. There is no sign of neglect like pressure injuries. Mom and dad take turns being at the hospital so there is most likely at least one of them in the room. Both parents work from home to ensure round-the-clock care.

**Vital Signs, 2 sets (5 points) – HIGHLIGHT ALL ABNORMAL VITAL SIGNS**

Time	Pulse	B/P	Resp Rate	Temp	Oxygen
0726	66	118/78	18	97.8	97
1103	61	112/72	21	97.6	95

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**Vital Sign Trends: AT's vital signs remained stable throughout the day.**

**Pain Assessment, 2 sets (2 points)**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Scale</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Severity</b>	<b>Characteristics</b>	<b>Interventions</b>
<b>0726</b>	<b>Nonverbal cues did not allude to the client experiencing pain</b>				
<b>1103</b>	<b>Nonverbal cues did not allude to the client experiencing pain</b>				

**IV Assessment (2 Points)**

<b>IV Assessment</b>	<b>Fluid Type/Rate or Saline Lock</b>
<b>Size of IV:</b>	18g
<b>Location of IV:</b>	Lower right forearm
<b>Date on IV:</b>	9/15/22
<b>Patency of IV:</b>	The IV is patent
<b>Signs of erythema, drainage, etc.:</b>	None
<b>IV dressing assessment:</b>	Transparent Tegaderm

**Intake and Output (2 points)**

<b>Intake (in mL)</b>	<b>Output (in mL)</b>
<b>534 ml, 120 mls of saline mixed with his medications, 30mls of normal saline to</b>	<b>the patient excreted 150 mls of urine during my shift and one incontinent bowel</b>

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flush his g-tube, and his tube feeding was running at 96 mls an hour,	movement.
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### Nursing Care

#### Summary of Care (2 points)

**Overview of care:** During my shift, I passed around 10 medications, assisted in repositioning, and provided oral care. During my shift, I obtained vitals for other patients because the healthcare tech was overworked.

**Procedures/testing done:** N/A

**Complaints/Issues:** The client is not experiencing anything reportable today, he is due to discharge tomorrow following stable labs.

**Vital signs (stable/unstable):** Vital signs were stable throughout my shift.

**Tolerating diet, activity, etc.:** The patient is NPO and has a G-tube, he tolerated feedings and his medications through this route.

**Physician notifications:** The patient remained stable so there was no need to inform the physician of his status

**Future plans for the client:** The patient will be discharged home tomorrow with his family.

#### Discharge Planning (2 points)

**Discharge location:** The patient will be discharged back to his home with his mother and father.

**Home health needs (if applicable):** The family already employs home health nurses to help lighten responsibilities and provide respite care.

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**Equipment needs (if applicable):** N/A the family already have a Hoyer lift and all of AT's medical equipment.

**Follow-up plan:** AT has a visit to his neurologist later this month.

**Education needs:** The family needs education on AT's new medications. The family is proficient in all other aspects of AT's care.

### Nursing Diagnosis (15 points)

**\*Must be NANDA approved nursing diagnosis and listed in order of priority\***

<b>Nursing Diagnosis</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Include full nursing diagnosis with "related to" and "as evidenced by" components</li> <li>● Listed in order by priority – highest priority to lowest priority pertinent to this client</li> </ul>	<b>Rationale</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Explain why the nursing diagnosis was chosen</li> </ul>	<b>Interventions (2 per dx)</b>	<b>Outcome Goal (1 per dx)</b>	<b>Evaluation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● How did the client/family respond to the nurse's actions?</li> <li>● Client response, status of goals and outcomes, modifications to plan.</li> </ul>
<b>1. Impaired Gas exchange related to aspiration pneumonia as evidenced by impaired airway clearance, seizure</b>	<b>This nursing diagnosis was chosen because the client's primary diagnosis was pneumonia. Today, AT was still congested throughout his lungs and airway.</b>	<b>1. Change the patient's position every 2 hours to mobilize secretions and allow aeration of all lung fields</b>  <b>2. Record the patient's intake and output to monitor fluid status</b>	<b>1. The patient will have normal breath sounds.</b>	<b>The patient's lung fields still sounded congested upon auscultation. The client tolerated all medication and maintained oxygenation on room air.</b>

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<p>activity, and low O2 sats on admission .</p>				
<p>2. Infection related to sepsis secondary to aspiration pneumonia as evidenced by a high WBC count</p>	<p>This diagnosis was chosen because the client WBC count was elevated due to AT developing sepsis.</p>	<p>1. 1:Use strict sterile technique when performing invasive procedures Rationale: This minimizes the risk of introducing pathogens to the body.</p> <p>2. Administer topical, oral, or parenteral antibiotics as ordered. Rationale: Prophylactic use of antibiotics eradicates pathogenic organisms.</p>	<p>1. The patient's white count will stay in the normal range.</p>	<p>The patient tolerated his antibiotic well. Sarah and Alexandria were sure to be vigilant in using aseptic technique.</p>
<p>3. Risk for injury related to a history of epilepsy as evidenced by a history of a seizure 2 days ago.</p>	<p>This diagnosis was chosen because AT has a history of epilepsy and was actively having seizures while hospitalized.</p>	<p>1.Assist patient and family to identify situations and hazards that can cause accidents.</p> <p>2.Provide additional patient/family teaching as needed.</p>	<p>1. The patient and family will follow safety precaution in and out of the home.</p>	<p>Sarah and Alexandria assessed AT's for signs of possible injury and corrected any threats. The patient and family are knowledgeable on what to do for AT's seizures.</p>
<p>4. Risk for impaired skin integrity</p>	<p>This nursing diagnosis was chosen because AT is</p>	<p>1.Change patient's position every 2 hours.</p>	<p>1. The patient will not exhibit signs of skin</p>	<p>The patient remained free from signs of skin breakdown. Sarah</p>

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<p><b>related to immobility as evidenced by left and right sided weakness secondary to a history of strokes.</b></p>	<p><b>only able to use his arms and hands. He is a high risk for skin breakdown and pressure sores.</b></p>	<p><b>2. Use preventative skin care devices as needed.</b></p>	<p><b>breakdown</b></p>	<p><b>and Alexandria noticed that his SVD sleeve tubings were making an indent in his thigh so they readjusted the location of the tube to prevent skin breakdown.</b></p>
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**Other References (APA):**

Phelps. (2020). *Sparks & Taylor's nursing diagnosis reference manual*. Wolters Kluwer Medical.

**Concept Map (20 Points):**

### Subjective Data

According to the parents, the patient has looked very uncomfortable in the last 3 or 4 days. He has been moaning, not following limited commands like he normally does, sounds very congested and coughing up a lot.

### Objective Data

**Pulse:66**  
**B/P:11/78**  
**Resp Rate:18**  
**Temp:97.8**  
**Oxygen:97**

### Client Information

34 year old caucasian male admitted for sepsis secondary to aspiration pneumonia with a significant medical history leading to his immobility.

### Nursing Diagnosis/Outcomes

**Impaired Gas exchange** related to aspiration pneumonia as evidenced by impaired airway clearance , seizure activity, and low O2 sats on admission.  
**The patient will have normal breath sounds.**  
**Infection** related to sepsis secondary to aspiration pneumonia as evidenced by a high WBC count  
**The patient's white count will stay in the normal range.**  
**Risk for injury** related to a history of epilepsy as evidenced by a history of a seizure 2 days ago.  
**The patient and family will follow safety precaution in and out of the home.**  
**Risk for impaired skin integrity** related to immobility as evidenced by left and right sided weakness secondary to a history of strokes.  
**The patient will not exhibit signs of skin breakdown**

### Nursing Interventions

1. Change the patient's position every 2 hours to mobilize secretions and allow aeration of all lung fields
2. Record the patient's intake and output to monitor fluid status
1. Use strict sterile technique when performing invasive procedures  
Rationale: This minimizes the risk of introducing pathogens to the body.  
Administer topical, oral, or parenteral antibiotics as ordered.  
Rationale: Prophylactic use of antibiotics eradicates pathogenic organisms.
1. Assist patient and family to identify situations and hazards that can cause accidents.
2. Provide additional patient/family teaching as needed.  
1. Change patient's position every 2 hours.
2. Use preventative skin care devices as needed.



