

Surgical Case 5: Lloyd Bennett

Documentation Assignments

1. Document your focused postoperative assessment for Lloyd Bennett.
 - a. After the transfusion reaction, the patient's main priority is an airway assessment. It is important to maintain the airway by monitoring for drooling, absent breath sounds, wheezing, and a decrease in oxygen saturation. These signs indicate the loss of airway which the nurse should initiate prevention.
2. Document Lloyd Bennett's allergies in his chart.
 - a. The patient states that he does not have any allergies. After the blood transfusion reaction, the incident should be listed in the patient's chart to increase awareness.
3. Document Lloyd Bennett's vital signs during the transfusion reaction.
 - a. The patient's heart rate began to slightly increase. The patient stated that he was having difficulty breathing. The blood pressure slowly started to decrease.
4. Document the priority nursing actions completed during the transfusion reaction.
 - a. The priority is to stop the blood transfusion, contact the health care provider, initiate fluids using different tubing, and then send the tubing and blood to the blood bank.
5. Identify and document key nursing diagnoses for Lloyd Bennett.
 - a. The patient is at risk for obstructed airway due to the allergic reaction. The nurse should continue to monitor the patient for any life-threatening side effects.
6. Referring to your feedback log, document the nursing care you provided.
 - a. The nurse discontinued the blood transfusion, called the health care provider, initiated Normal Saline, collected a urinalysis, contacted the blood bank, and educated the patient.