

8th March 2024 - Reading Part B

Text 4 - Vocab:

- Preferable
- Completion
- Switchboard

- 4 The guidelines on caring for patients with transmissible infections mention the need to
 - A organise the schedules of relevant staff in a certain way.
 - (B) cancel any transfers that have previously been planned for them.
 - (C) take specific precautions when carrying out their treatment.

Care of patients in isolation with transmissible infections

It is preferable that a designated nurse is assigned to the patient on each shift, in order to reduce the risk of cross-infection. Where this is not possible, any procedures necessary for this patient, e.g. dressing changes, should be performed following the completion of all other duties. Medical staff and associated healthcare professionals, including those conducting ward rounds, should also ensure that patients in isolation are seen last. If a patient in isolation must be moved out of their room, an assessment of the clinical need for, and risk of, such a movement should be carried out by the affected staff. For emergency advice outside normal working hours, the on-call medical microbiologist can be contacted via the main switchboard.



Text 5 - Vocab:

- Sealed
- Acknowledge
- Imperative

- 5 This memo states that when controlled drugs are required, staff must
 - (A) verify each stage of the delivery journey from pharmacy to patient.
 - (B) avoid trying to obtain them in person unless absolutely necessary.
 - (C) follow new procedures to ensure that the correct drugs reach the correct patient.

To: All staff
Subject: Transport of controlled drugs

All controlled drugs (CDs) ordered in the morning will be signed out by the pharmacy porter and delivered to the relevant department in a sealed purple bag. On receipt, the registrant should check that the seal number and the patient number or name on the bag matches that in the porter's records. Finally, they should also check that the drug delivered matches the request made, before signing to acknowledge receipt of the purple bag. Should the CDs be needed urgently, they may instead be collected from the pharmacy by the registrant. It is imperative that valid identification is shown in such circumstances. This person will sign the received section of the CD requisition form as well as the Pharmacy electronic signature pad, which inserts the signature onto the CD register.



Text 6 - Vocab:

- In accordance with
- Defects
- Promptly

- 6 The extract from a policy document includes information on
 - (A) the means by which staff should obtain PPE when needed.
 - (B) the procedure for staff who need to raise any issues with PPE.
 - the requirement for staff to regularly study PPE regulations.

Use of hospital personal protective equipment

All employees are responsible for using hospital provided personal protective equipment (PPE) (including any respiratory protective equipment (RPE)) in the way that it is intended to be used, as they have been instructed and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. When not in use, PPE should be stored in the facilities provided. Staff are required to practise a high standard of hygiene and make proper use of the facilities provided for washing, showering or bathing, therefore any PPE which could cause contamination must be removed for cleaning/disposal before eating and drinking. Defects or potential risks to health and safety identified in any of the above, including in defined methods of work, devices or facilities, or any item of PPE (including RPE) must be reported promptly to the designated responsible person (e.g. department manager or supervisor)



Answers:

- 4. A
- 5. A
- 6. B