

## Unfolding Clinical Reasoning Case Study:

## Pneumonia/COPD Content/Concept Map

## I. Content

Anatomy/Physiology:	Pneumonia
	COPD
	Sepsis
Pharmacology:	Home Meds:
	Fluticasone/salmeterol (Advair) diskus 1 puff every 12 hours
	2. Albuterol (Ventolin) MDI 2 puffs every 4 hours prn
	3. Lisinopril (Prinivil) 10 mg po daily
	4. Gemfribrozil (Lopid) 600 mg po bid
	5. Diazepam (Valium) 2.5 mg po every 6 hours as needed
	6. Triamterene-HCTZ (Dyazide) 1 tab daily
	Medical Management:
	1. albuterol-ipratropium (Combivent) 2.5 mg neb
	2. lorazepam (Ativan) 1 mg IV push
	3. methylprednisolone (Solumedrol) 125 mg IV push
	4. levofloxacin (Levaquin) 750 mg IVPB (after blood cultures
	drawn)
	5. acetaminophen (Tylenol) 1000mg oral
Diagnostic/Labs:	12 lead EKG: sinus tachycardia
	Chest x-ray
	CBC
	BMP
	Lactate

	Arterial blood gas
	Blood culture
	Sputum culture
	UA/UC
Dosage Calculation:	1. Methylprednisolone (Solumedrol) 125 mg IV push (125 mg/2 mL
	vial)
	2. Lorazepam (Ativan) 1 mg IV push (2 mg/1 mL vial)
	3. levofloxacin (Levaquin) 750 mg IVPB (150 mL volume) 150 mL
	over 90 minutes
Nursing Priorities:	IMPAIRED GAS EXCHANGE
	INEFFECTIVE AIRWAY CLEARANCE
	ALTERED BODY TEMPERATURE
Priority Setting:	1. Albuterol-ipratropium (Combivent) 2.5 mg neb
Which orders do you	2. Establish peripheral IV
implement first and	3.Lorazepam (Ativan) 1 mg IV push
why?	4. Methylprednisolone (Solumedrol) 125 mg IV push
	5.Levofloxacin (Levaquin) 750 mg IVPB (after blood cultures drawn)
	Acetaminophen (Tylenol) 1000mg oral
Patient Education &	1. Pursed lip breathing
Discharge Planning:	2. Signs of COPD exacerbation and when she should come to the ED
	for evaluation
	3. Review action/indications for use of all relevant medications,
	especially her inhalers

	4. Proper use of spacers or other devices to optimize inhalation of metered dose inhalers (MDI) in the lungs
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# Concepts (in order of emphasis) I. Gas Exchange II. Infection II.

- III. Acid-Base Balance

- IV. Thermoregulation
- V. Clinical Judgment
- VI. Pain
- VII. Patient Education
- VIII. Communication
  - IX. Collaboration

## III. NCLEX Client Need Categories

- I. Safe and Effective Care Environment CSUITS.COM
  - a. 20%–Management of Care
    - Providing and directing nursing care that enhances the care delivery setting to protect clients, family/significant others, and healthcare personnel
      - 1. Establish priorities
      - 2. Collaboration w/treatment team
      - 3. Advocacy
- II. Health Promotion & Maintenance:
  - 9%-The nurse provides and directs nursing care of the client and family/significant others that incorporates knowledge of expected growth and development principles, prevention and/or early detection of health problems, and strategies to achieve optimal health.
    - 1. Disease prevention
    - Physical assessment
    - 3. Client education
- III. Psychosocial Integrity:
  - 9%-Nurse provides care that promotes and supports the emotional, mental, and social well-being of the patient and family who are experiencing stressful events.
    - 1. Coping mechanisms
    - 2. Therapeutic communication
    - End of life care

#### IV. Physiologic Integrity

- a. 15%–Pharmacological & Parenteral Therapies:
  - Providing care related to the administration of medications and parenteral therapies
    - 1. Expected actions, adverse/side effects
    - 2. Medication administration
    - 3. IV therapies
    - 4. Dosage calculation
- b. 12%–Reduction of Risk Potential:
  - Reducing the likelihood that clients will develop complications or health problems related to existing conditions, treatments or procedures
    - Changes in VS
    - 2. Diagnostic tests
    - 3. Lab values
    - 4. System specific assessments
    - 5. Potential for alterations in body systems
- c. 13%–Physiological Adaptation:
  - Managing and providing care for clients with acute, chronic, or life threatening health conditions.
    - Pathophysiology
    - F&E imbalances
    - 3. Medical emergencies

### IV. **QSEN Skills**

- Patient-centered Care
  - Implementation of care plan and evaluation of care
  - Provide patient-centered care with sensitivity and respect for the diversity of human experience

- Assess presence and extent of pain and suffering. Assess levels of physical and emotional comfort
- d. Elicit expectations of patient & family for relief of pain, discomfort, or suffering
- Initiate effective treatments to relieve pain and suffering in light of patient values, preferences and expressed needs

#### II. Evidence-based Practice

 Base individualized care plan on patient values, clinical expertise and evidence

#### III. Teamwork and Collaboration

a. Follow communication practices that minimize risks associated with handoffs among providers and across transitions in care (SBAR). Assert own position/perspective in discussions about patient care