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SAJAA CPD ANSWER FORM - March/April 2020

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Please answer the following questions:

- 1. Which of the following statements is false:
- a. Litigation is a process where public officials decide cases by applying the law to their understanding of the emotions and proclaim who is 'right' and who is 'wrong'.
- b. Litigation is a process of taking legal action.
- Litigation is the term used to describe proceedings initiated between two opposing parties to enforce or defend a legal right.
- 2. Which of the following practising specialist fields are decreasing at an alarming rate:
- a. Anaesthesiology
- b. Gynaecology.
- c. Neurology.
- d. Paediatric neurosurgery.
- 3. Which one of the following words is not descriptive of the term mediation?
- a. Voluntary.
- b. Non-binding
- c. Non-confidential.
- d. Non-structured.
- 4. According to HPCSA trend analysis report of complaints against anaesthesiologists, the following complaint was ranked the highest in number:
- Improper relationships.
- b. Insufficient care.
- c. Impaired practitioner.
- d. Accounts.
- 5. Cardiac surgery associated acute kidney injury (CSA AKI) is multi-factorial in origin but it is thought to be linked most strongly to:
- a. The type of surgery the patient will undergo.
- b. Lack of cohesive fluid management strategies.
- Intraoperative acute tubular necrosis.
- d. The lack of use of cardiopulmonary bypass (CPB).
- e. Preoperative optimisation of nutrition and fluid status.
- Novel biomarkers for CSA AKI have recently gained attention. Which of the following is true:
- A test kit that makes use of urinary and blood biomarkers (TIMP-2 & IGFBP7)
 NephroCheck® is appropriate to use for screening of CSA AKI.
- TIMP-2 & IGFBP7 are by-products of cells that fail to enter cell cycling, and therefore enter G1 cell cycling arrest, a known consequence of AKI.
- Neutrophil gelatinase-associated lipocalin (NGAL) is detectable 24–48 hours after an insult has occurred.
- d. NGAL is specific to the kidney and is not produced elsewhere in the body.
- 7. With regards to ultrasound, it:
- a. Can be used to calculate the resistive index (RI) of renal arteries, which reflects the resistance to flow in the microvascular bed distal to the site of measurement.
- b. Can be used in colour doppler mode to derive venous wave form patterns.
- Can be used in pulsed wave doppler mode to differentiate between true diastolic dysfunction and abdominal venous congestion.
- d. Can be used to calculate an RI, which when > 1.0 is normal.
- Comparing SASA members' mean score for emotional exhaustion, with that of a large normative study:
- SASA members' mean score was statistically significantly lower, but the difference was clinically unimportant.
- SASA members' mean score was statistically significantly smaller, and the difference was clinically important.
- SASA members' mean score was not statistically significantly different from that of the normative study.

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- With regard to the three burnout dimensions, emotional exhaustion, cynicism and efficacy, a diagnosis of being "clinically" burned out is justified if a person has:
- a. Moderate scores for all three burnout dimensions.
- A high score for emotional exhaustion plus either a high score for either cynicism or a high score for efficacy.
- A high score for emotional exhaustion plus moderate scores for cynicism and efficacy.
- 10. Comparing anaesthetists working in the public and the private sectors: Regarding scores for emotional exhaustion and for cynicism, anaesthetists working in the public sector returned:
- Higher scores, but the differences were probably unimportant as reflected by a small effect size and small relative risk.
- b. The differences between the groups did not achieve statistical significance.
- c. Higher scores evidenced by a large effect size and large relative risk.
- 11. Comparing anaesthetists working in the public and the private sectors: Both groups returned moderate scores for the efficacy dimension of burnout. In addition:
- The groups differed significantly, but the differences were probably clinically unimportant.
- b. The groups differed significantly, and the differences were clinically important.
- the group differences did not achieve statistical significance.
- d. The difference between the mean scores was not statistically significant.
- 12. With regard to a clinical diagnosis of being burned out:
- At least 1/10 anaesthetists working in private practice can be expected to be "clinically" burned out.
- b. There was no difference between the private and public sectors with regard to the proportions of anaesthetists who were "clinically" burned out.
- c. There is no ICD-10 code for the burnout syndrome.
- 13. The rewards area of work-life:
- a. Are determined by monetary benefits.
- b. Include monetary rewards as well as recognition by employers, colleagues and patients.
- c. Was a predictor for the *efficacy* dimension of the burnout syndrome, but not for *emotional exhaustion* or for *cynicism*.
- 14. The strongest predictors of a clinical diagnosis of burnout among SASA members are:
- a. Workload.
- b. Workload, reward and community in equal degrees.
- c. Workload, years of experience, gender and age
- 15. Which of the following factors is associated with increased risk of packed red blood cell transfusion in cardiac surgery:
- a. Increased preoperative haemoglobin levels.
- b. Increased EuroSCORE II risk.
- c. Increased body mass index.
- 16. Compared to coronary artery bypass graft (CABG), the risk of packed red blood cell transfusion in valve surgery and redo surgery is:
- a. Higher.
- b. Lower.
- c. Not significantly different.
- $17. \ \ In \ cardiac \ surgical \ patients, the incidence \ of \ packed \ red \ blood \ cell \ transfusion \ is:$
- a. Higher during the intraoperative period.
- b. Higher during the postoperative period.
- c. Equal between intraoperative and postoperative periods.
- 18. In a patient with a fast-ventricular response to atrial fibrillation due to pulmonary hypertension and chronic obstructive airways disease, which of the following drugs is least likely to aggravate the precipitant of atrial fibrillation?
- a. Esmolol (a beta-adrenergic blocker).
- b. Digoxin.
- c. Noradrenaline.
- 19. What is the mechanism of action of digoxin:
- a. Na/K-ATPase blockade
- b. Beta-adrenergic stimulation.
- c. Calcium channel blockade.
- 20. Digoxin's acute toxicity clinical signs may be:
- a. Tinnitus.
- b. Involuntary muscular movement.
- c. Blurred or yellow vision.

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