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Please answer the following questions:

An audit of anaesthetic charts at Chris Hani Baragwanath Academic Hospital

- 1. The earliest form of documentation of intraoperative events was
- a. developed by Harvard nursing students
- b the ether chart
- developed in 1979
- d. developed by Harvey Codman
- 2. The initial physiological variable charted on the ether chart was
- heart rate
- b. colour
- c. respiratory rate
- d. blood pressure
- 3. Guidelines developed by anaesthesia societies on documentation, recommend
- a. hourly documentation of intraoperative events
- b. documentation of intraoperative and postoperative events
- documentation of preoperative, intraoperative and postoperative events, including complications
- d. not documenting complications

4. Anaesthesia Information Management Systems (AIMS)

- a. are inferior in quality of documentation compared to manual chart completion
- b. have increased time dedicated to chart completion by 11%
- c. have never been used in the medicolegal setting against an anaesthesiologist
- d. have decreased the time spent on manual chart completion and improved the quality

5. With regards to the design of manually completion charts

- a. the structured format promotes better documentation compared to the unstructured format
- the unstructured format promotes better documentation compared to the structured format
- c. a good chart design incorporates both the structured and unstructured format
- d. the unstructured format allows the user to select relevant items from a list

A survey of post-dural puncture headache management practices within a South African academic department

6. Post-dural puncture headache

- a. is a rare complication of neuraxial anaesthesia
- b. is due to a cerebrospinal fluid leak through the dura
- c. always requires treatment with an epidural blood patch

7. Morbidity relating to post-dural puncture headache in obstetric patients

- a. may result in poor maternal-infant bonding, increased duration of stay and increased hospital costs
- b. is unlikely to affect hospital costs or duration of stay
- c. is most commonly due to subdural haemorrhages
- Conservative management strategies for post-dural puncture headache which are endorsed by the Obstetric Anaesthetist Association guidelines, include
- a. prolonged bed rest
- b. vigorous intravenous hydration
- c. simple analgesia including paracetamol and nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs

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9. The following are inappropriate indications for imaging (CT/MRI) of the brain and spinal cord:

- a. focal signs including tinnitus and vertigo
- b. decreased level of consciousness
- c. headache not resolving after 48 hours of conservative management
- I. symptoms of meningitis

A prospective, multicentre, observational, cross-sectional study of the prevalence of blood transfusion associated with Caesarean section in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

10. Antenatal anaemia was found

- a. to be an independent risk factor for blood transfusion
- b. to have a prevalence of 25% in the study population
- c. to be well managed in the antenatal population

11. A full blood count is

- a. not required in any patient for Caesarean section (CS) according to the ASA practice guidelines
- b. suggested in patients who are at risk of bleeding at CS
- c. a cost-effective intervention pre-Caesarean section

12. HIV-infection

- a. was found to be an independent risk factor for blood transfusion in this study
- b. had a lower prevalence in this study population compared to the ASOS data set
- c. is being treated in South Africa in all pregnant women irrespective of their CD4 count

13. Postpartum haemorrhage

- a. had higher prevalence in this study than worldwide
- b. is a strong predictor of morbidity and mortality
- c. is commonly overestimated in studies

14. The most common indication for blood transfusion in the study was

- a. haemoglobin level
- b. haemodynamic instability
- c. ongoing blood loss

15. Which of the following variables was found to be an independent predictor of blood transfusion after multivariate analysis?

- a. Preterm delivery
- b. Previous CS
- c. Urgency of CS

Comparative analgesic efficacy of adding magnesium sulphate to bupivacaine in serratus anterior plane block to reduce pain after mastectomy

16. The most common cause of cancer death among women worldwide is

- a. breast cancer
- b. cervix cancer
- c. ovarian cancer

17. Magnesium sulphate

- a. is an antagonist of N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptors
- b. is an agonist of N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptors
- c. does not act on N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptors

18. The Visual Analogue Scale (VAS) is

- a. marked from 0 (no pain) to 10 (the worst pain imaginable)
- b. marked from 0 (the worst pain imaginable) to 10 (no pain)
- c. the same as The Wong-Baker FACES Pain Rating Scale

To distinguish the serratus anterior muscle in the serratus anterior plane block, we first identify

- a. the fifth rib in the mid-axillary line
- b. the fourth rib in the mid-clavicular line
- c. the third rib in the anterior axillary line

20. Magnesium blocks N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptors, resulting in

- a. the inhibition of calcium influx into the cells
- b. the activation of sodium efflux out of the cells
- the activation of potassium influx into the cells

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