
Mercyhealth Continuing Education

ALOC Quiz

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1. Name at least 5 common general causes of altered mental status.

2. Seizures account for approximately 4% of EMS calls. Most seizures:
- last longer than 5 minutes.
 - require medical intervention to cease.
 - resolve on their own in less than 2 minutes.
 - none of the above.

3. Level of consciousness and level of orientation are not the same thing.
- True
 - False

4. The causes of seizures according to our seizure protocol includes:

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5. What is the biggest differentiation between a syncopal episode and a seizure?
_____ Phase

6. CO poisoning symptoms may include:
- Headache
 - Nausea
 - Normal SPO2
 - All of the above

7. **(Paramedic)** Medications are frequently needed to terminate seizures. These medications are limited to the Advanced Life Support (ALS) Scope of Practice. Recognizing that, it is important that we consider the use of ALS in managing a seizure patient. What is the pediatric dosing for Versed? _____

8. While caring for a seizing patient, EMS should always attempt to insert an oropharyngeal airway (OPA) to maintain a patent airway.
- true
 - false

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9. The following patients should receive a blood glucose check:
- any patient with an altered mental status
 - patient with suspected stroke
 - patient suffering from a seizure
 - all of the above
10. Altered mental status can be caused by a wide array of diseases, illnesses or injuries. As part of an assessment of a patient, a seizure can be a sign associated with an underlying cause that must be identified and treated.
- true
 - false
11. Associated symptoms/pertinent negatives for a seizure include:
- _____
12. **(Paramedic)** Which routes can Versed be administered? _____
13. According to the Altered Level of Consciousness protocol, which data is important to gather in patients with ALOC?
- _____
14. What are the goals of therapy according to the ALOC protocol?
- Restore normal mental status
 - Maintain ABC's
 - None of the above
 - All of the above
15. If narcotic overdose is suspected, what is the starting dose for Naloxone (Narcan)? _____
16. What is the goal of Naloxone?
- Increase blood pressure
 - Increase respirations
 - Increase blood sugar
 - Decrease respirations
17. Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS) assesses which three responses?
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18. Oxygen may be needed for any patient if their SpO₂ is less than what percentage?

- a. 92%
- b. 93%
- c. 90%
- d. 94%

19. What is the appropriate medication for an unresponsive patient with a blood sugar of less than 70? Answer according to your level:

EMR level _____

EMT level _____

AEMT/Paramedic level _____

20. AVPU stands for what:

- A –
- V –
- P –
- U –

21. **(Paramedic)** The phrase “GCS of less than 8, intubate!” generally refers to trauma or medical patients? _____