Focused Exam UTI With Antibiotic Sensitivity Shadow Health

Assessment

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Focused Exam: UTI with Antibiotic Sensitivity

Patient Exam: This assignment is a focused exam with a patient who presents with a

UTI and antibiotic sensitivity. You will conduct an interview with Makayla Henderson

using therapeutic communication to determine the appropriate pharmacological therapy

for her condition. After the exam, you will select the most appropriate medication for

Ms. Henderson and educate her on her medication and disease management. If

applicable, you will write a prescription for the selected medication. On average, this

assignment will take 75 minutes to complete.

Education Items

■ (1 point) Take the full course of antibiotics

■ (1 point) Take with meals for absorption

■ (1 point) Take missed doses as soon as possible

■ (1 point) Drink non caffeinated liquids

Phenazopyridine

■ (1 point) Take as needed to relieve pain

■ (1 point) Take with meals to avoid GI upset

(1 point) Continue taking antibiotics while on this drug

■ (1 point) Bodily fluids may appear orange

• Symptoms and Care

■ (1 point) Wear loose-fitting, cotton underwear

■ (1 point) Wipe front to back when you use the restroom

■ (1 point) Return if you do not improve

• Closing / Goodbye

Prescription Writing

Nitrofurantoin

Phenazopyridine

Subjective Data Collection: 25 Of 26 (96.2%)

Hover To Reveal...

Hover over the Patient Data items below to reveal important information, including Pro Tips and Example Questions.

■ Found:

Indicates an item that you found.

Available:

Indicates an item that is available to be found.

Category

Scored Items

Experts selected these topics as essential components of a strong, thorough interview with this patient.

Patient Data

Not Scored

A combination of open and closed questions will yield better patient data. The following details are facts of the patient's case.

Chief Complaint

Finding:

Established chief complaint

Finding:

(Found)

Pro Tip: A patient's chief complaint establishes any illnesses or concerns they are presenting. Asking about the chief complaint will allow the patient to voice any concerns or symptoms the patient may have.

Example Question:

■ How is your urination?

Finding:

(Found)

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Example Question:

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Example Question:

History Of Present Illness

Finding:

Finding

Asked about onset and duration of symptoms

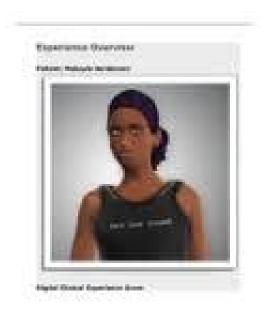
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Example Question:

Finding:

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Asked about additional symptoms of UTI

Finding:

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Example Question:

Finding:

Asked about aggravating factors of pain

Finding:

Reports urination makes the pain worse

(Available)

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Pro Tip: Inquiring into the patient's relevant history can reveal past diagnoses and previous conditions or concerns. Information about the patient's existing health conditions, a timeline of diagnosis, symptoms, and allergies can indicate where you should follow-up for further care and treatment.

Example Question:

Do you have any health issues?

Finding:

Asked about general allergies

Finding:

(Found)

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Home Medications

Finding:

Asked about home medications

Finding:

(Found)

Pro Tip: A patient's home medications can provide insight into the patient's current treatment and its efficacy. Inquiring into medication history, dosage, and frequency will help you understand the patient's background and how it may affect their current situation.

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Reports 28-pill pack

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Reports unsure of dosage

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Reports nausea and vomiting

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Example Question:

Social History

Finding:

Asked about substance use

Finding:

(Found)

Pro Tip: A patient's social history encompasses their family and support system, living situation, and daily behaviors such as diet, exercise, sexual activity, and substance use. These factors can influence their current health and wellness. Asking about a patient's social history can also unveil the influence of their present illnesses in their social lives.

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Example Question:

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Followed up on alcohol use

Finding:

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Example Question:

How many drinks do you have a week?

Finding:

Asked about sexual activity

Finding:

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Finding:

Reports father is healthy

(Found)

Pro Tip: A patient's family medical history can indicate if the patient is at a higher risk for certain illnesses and disorders. Gathering this information can contextualize a patient's current complaint and how their family's health history might be influencing it.

Example Question:

How is your father's health?

Finding:

(Found)

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Example Question:

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Example Question:

Review Of Systems

Finding:

Asked about general symptoms

Finding:

(Found)

Pro Tip: Understanding a patient's health involves a comprehensive overview of their physiological systems. This is necessary to understand what symptoms may indicate larger issues, and what treatments the patient may require.

Example Question:

Finding:

Asked about review of systems for gastrointestinal

Finding:

(Found)

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Example Question:

Comments

Education & Empathy: 5 of 6 (83.3%)

During the patient interview, there are a number of opportunities to provide patient

education and empathy. The opportunities listed below are those identified by nursing

experts to be of particular importance to this patient. A Model Statement is provided as

an example of an appropriate response to each opportunity.

Opportunities marked as Not Encountered are opportunities that were not

elicited in the interview

Opportunities marked as Not Followed Up are missed opportunities that were

present in the interview, but where no statements were made

Opportunities marked as Followed Up were followed up by students, and include

the dialogue between student and patient

DEBRIEF

■ 1. Assessment

2. Recommendation and Monitoring

Assessment

The patient suffers from UTI

Model Note

Makayla Henderson is a 21-year-old Biracial woman presenting with an uncomplicated UTI. She is a senior college student. Her UTI symptoms began three days ago, and she has experienced pain during urination, a burning sensation, and increased urgency to urinate. She is also experiencing some cramping in her <u>lower abdominal</u> region

Model Note

I prescribed Ms. Henderson a course of ...

Medication Selection Score: 18 Out Of 18 Points

This activity represents how well you were able to synthesize subjective data, objective data, guidelines, interactions, and contraindications to select the most effective medications(s) for the patient's problems

	First Try	Second Try	Third Try
Totals			
Combined total points	18 out of 18 points		
Total points per column	+ 18 points		

Urinary Tract Infection			
Medication(s)	nitrofurantoin		
Selected			
Points Earned	✓ + 9 points	✓	1
Rationale	Congratulations! Nitrofurantoin is		
	the best choice for this scenario. In		
	areas with an <u>antibiotic resistance</u> to		
	a sulfamethoxazole / trimethoprim		
	combination drug, nitrofurantoin is		
	the best first line of defense		
	antibiotic for an uncomplicated UTI.		
	This drug would also not		
	contraindicated with Ms.		
	Henderson's penicillin		
	hypersensitivity.		

Urination Pain and Increased Frequency				
Medication(s) Selected	phenazopyridine			
Points Earned	✓ + 9 points	,	✓	√

Rationale	Congratulations! As a non-opioid	
	analgesic, phenazopyridine is	
	the best choice to provide relief	
	from urinary tract symptoms	
	such as pain, burning, and	
	frequency.	

Patient Teaching Score: 9.5 Out Of 11

Greet the patient

Topics prioritized for patient teaching

Education Items

■ Greet the patient and explain why you need to educate them

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	Hi, I need to educate you on the need to understand the	Statement
	medication process and dosage.	8/7/2020 2:03:21
		PM
L		
	Hey, sure thing. [AUDIO COMING SOON]	

Model Statement: Hi, Makayla. We're going to be going over how to safely take your medication.

XYZ

Model Plan

- (1 point) Take the full course of antibiotics
- (1 point) Take with meals for absorption
- (1 point) Take missed doses as soon as possible
- (1 point) Drink non caffeinated liquids

Topics prioritized for patient teaching

Education Items

- (1 point) Take the full course of antibiotics
- (1 point) Take at the same time daily
- (1 point) Take missed doses as soon as possible
- (1 point) Adverse effects include GI upset

Take the full course of antibiotics

Take the full course of antibiotics	Statement
	8/7/2020 2:03:56 PM
Ok – but what if I start feeling better?	
You continue taking it until you finish the dose	Statement
	8/7/2020 2:04:29 PM
Oh, ok. That makes sense.	

Model Statement: It's important to finish a full course of antibiotics, even if you start to feel better. Antibiotic resistance can happen if a bacteria is exposed enough times to an antibiotic, but is not completely killed; this means that the stronger, resistant bacteria

are able to adapt. Finishing a full course of antibiotics decreases the risk of antibiotic resistance, which helps everyone.

Take at the same time daily

Take at the same time daily	Statement	
	8/7/2020 2:04:55 PM	
Oh, ok.		

Model Statement: Taking antibiotics at the same time every day ensures that the medication is in your system for the same amount of time, which makes it the most effective.

Take missed doses as soon as possible

Take as soon as possible to maintain the therapeutic effect	Statement
of the drug.	8/7/2020 2:05:50
	PM
I definitely don't want that to happen. Thanks.	

Model Statement: If you miss a dose of your antibiotics, take your dose as soon as you remember, and then take your next dose at its regularly scheduled time.

Adverse effects include GI upset

The medication has adverse effect which may include	Statement
causing pain in your stomach	8/7/2020 2:06:29
	PM

	Ew. Thanks for telling me.	
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Model Statement: Sometimes people experience gastrointestinal issues when they take antibiotics. Some find it helpful to take probiotic supplements to help the "good" bacteria in your system.

Model Plan

- (1 point) Take as needed to relieve pain
- (1 point) Take with meals to avoid GI upset
- (1 point) Continue taking antibiotics while on this drug
- (1 point) Bodily fluids may appear orange

Topics prioritized for patient teaching

Education Items

- (1 point) Take with meals to avoid GI upset
- (0.5 points) Contact provider if you experience signs of an allergic reaction rash
- (1 point) Bodily fluids may appear orange
- (0.5 points) Contact provider if you experience signs of liver problems

Take with meals to avoid GI upset

Take with meals to ensure that the GI upset is minimized	Statement
	8/7/2020 2:06:55 PM
Ok. Sounds like a good plan.	

Model Statement:

Contact provider if you experience signs of an allergic reaction rash

	Statement
	8/7/2020 2:09:25 PM
Got it.	

Bodily fluids may appear orange

	Statement
	8/7/2020 2:07:53 PM
Weird! Thanks for letting me know.	

Model Statement:

Contact provider if you experience signs of liver problems

	Statement
	8/7/2020 2:10:32 PM
Oh, ok. Will do.	

Model Statement:

Model Plan

- (1 point) Wear loose-fitting, cotton underwear
- (1 point) Wipe front to back when you use the restroom
- (1 point) Return if you do not improve

Topics prioritized for patient teaching

Education Items

- (1 point) Urinate before and after sexual intercourse
- (0.5 points) Do not rely on cranberry pills or juice to treat UTIs
- (1 point) Wipe front to back when you use the restroom

Urinate before and after sexual intercourse

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Model Statement:

Do not rely on cranberry pills or juice to treat UTIs

Use medications to treat UTIs	Statement
	8/7/2020
	2:11:43 PM
I figured it couldn't hurt, but I'll definitely take the medicine	
you give me. [AUDIO COMING SOON]	

Model Statement:

Wipe front to back when you use the restroom

Wiping front and back will clean the discharges	Statement
	8/7/2020 2:12:17 PM

Oookay. Gotcha. [AUDIO COMING SOON]	

Model Statement:

Say Goodbye

Topics prioritized for patient teaching

Education Items

Educate the patient on anything else and say goodbye. Focused Exam UTI with
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Educate the patient on anything else and say goodbye

Always use condoms when you want to engage in sex.	Statement
Good bye.	8/7/2020 2:12:59
	PM
Ok. See you later.	

Model Statement: Make sure to follow all of the instructions we discussed. Have a nice day.

Prescription Writing Score: 20 Out Of 20

Patient Information: 1 out of 1 point

This section covers the information identifying the patient. Any incorrect answers here could result in the pharmacist not dispensing the medication to the patient, and therefore you will lose the point for this section.

Field	Student's Answer	Is Correct?	Feedback
Patient Name	Makayla Henderson	✓	
Date of Birth	06/20/1999	✓	

Safe and Effective Dosage: 7 out of 7 point

This section measures how well you put together a safe and effective dose for the patient's problems. Any incorrect answers here could lead to under or overdosing the patient, and therefore you will lose all of the points in this section.

Field	Student's Answer	Is Correct?	Feedback
Medication		1	
Name			
Dosage	1 (one) tablet	√	
Strength	100 mg extended release	√	
Frequency	every 12 (twelve) hours	✓	
Duration	5 (five) days	✓	

Additional	Fields:	1	out	of	1	point
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This section covers the rest of the remaining fields for an accurate prescription.

Any incorrect answers here could lead to a legally invalid prescription, and therefore you will lose the point for these sections.

Field	Student's Answer	Is Correct?	Feedback
Route	mouth	✓	
Quantity	10 (ten) tablets	✓	
Refills	0	1	
Indication	Urinary Tract Infection	1	

Additional Information

This section covers the additional information and generic substitution fields for the prescription. Shadow Health does not grade these, but your instructor may choose to do so when inputting your grade.

Field	Student's Answer		
Dispense As Written?	Required		
Additional Information	Kindly inform us of any adverse events,	Ī	

Signature and Date: 1 out of 1 point

This section covers the information identifying who wrote the prescription and when. Any errors in this section could result in the pharmacist not dispensing the medication to the patient, and therefore you will lose the point for this section.

Field	Student's Answer	Is Correct?	Feedback
Signature	Dr.	✓	
Date	07/08/2020	✓	

10 out of 10

Patient Information: 1 out of 1 point

This section covers the information identifying the patient. Any incorrect answers here could result in the pharmacist not dispensing the medication to the patient, and therefore you will lose the point for this section.

Field	Student's Answer	Is Correct?	Feedback
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Date of Birth	06/20/1999	✓	

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Field	Student's Answer	Is Correct?	Feedback
Medication		✓	
Name			
Dosage	1 (one) tablet	✓	
Strength	200 mg	✓	
Frequency	3 (three) times daily	✓	
Duration	2 (two) days	✓	

Additional Fields: 1 out of 1 point

This section covers the rest of the remaining fields for an accurate prescription.

Any incorrect answers here could lead to a legally invalid prescription, and therefore you will lose the point for these sections.

Field	Student's Answer	Is Correct?	Feedback
Route	mouth	✓	
Quantity	6 (six) tablets	✓	

Refills	0	✓	
Indication	UTI Pain	✓	

Additional Information

This section covers the additional information and generic substitution fields for the prescription. These are not graded by <u>Shadow Health</u>, but your instructor may choose to do so when inputting your grade.

Field	Student's Answer		
Dispense As Written?	Required		
Additional Information	Alert your provider when adverse events occur. Be sure to complete the dosage.		

Signature and Date: 1 out of 1 point

This section covers the information identifying who wrote the prescription and when. Any errors in this section could result in the pharmacist not dispensing the medication to the patient, and therefore you will lose the point for this section.

Field	Student's Answer	Is Correct?	Feedback
Signature	Dr.	√	

Date	07/08/2020	1	

Assignment 5.2: Shadow Health: Focused Exam: UTI With Antibiotic Sensitivity And Anti-Infective Concept Lab Sample Student Reflection

Summary of Shadow Health Assignment

In this shadow health assignment, I took care of a 21-years old patient named Makayla Henderson, who presented with urinary tract infection symptoms. Makayla Henderson is a senior college student who stated that she is a biracial woman. Ms. Henderson stated that her urinary tract symptoms were presented three days ago; she complained of cramping in the lower abdominal area with dysuria and urgency to avoid.

Ms. Henderson stated she avoided drinking water to eliminate her urinary frequency and was educated on the importance of regular fluid intakes to flush the bacteria out of her body and to hydrate her body. Since the patient is allergic to the sulfa drug, choosing the Nitrofurantoin drug is optimal to eradicate uncomplicated urinary tract symptoms; adding phenazopyridine medication therapy will also help Ms. Henderson with urinary dysuria and urgency.

Since Ms. Henderson has low health literacy levels, assessing the symptoms, allergies, medical history, family medical history, and performing patient teaching are important to increase her knowledge and to prevent recurrent urinary tract infections. Patient education, such as wiping from front to back, wearing cotton underwear, finishing antibiotic therapy even after she feels better to eradicate all the bacteria fully, and

returning to care if symptoms are not improving are performed to improve the quality of care.

In another shadow health assignment for the anti-infective concept lab, it emphasized the importance of practitioners gathering patient data, allergies, and any pertinent medical history before prescribing therapy to prevent hypersensitivity reactions or adverse outcomes. For the antibiotics concept, it explains that antibiotics work against gram-negative, gram-positive, or both types of bacteria and have bactericidal, bacteriostatic, or both effects.

It also summarized the importance of observing patients for hypersensitivity reactions and assessing patients for renal impairment since antibiotics are excreted via the kidney to prevent nephrotoxicity; taking antibiotics medication disrupts normal flora in our body and may cause diarrhea which can increase the chance of having Clostridium difficile, individuals who have penicillin allergy may also sensitive to another penicillin derivative, and Vancomycin is a strong antibiotic and used as a last resort to defense against resistant bacteria.

Antiviral therapy works by stopping viral replication; the importance for practitioners to assess the kidney functions or hydration level since it can cause nephrotoxicity and educate the patients that they are still contagious until the infections are resolved completely. Antifungal therapy acts as fungicidal and fungistatic; the practitioner has to pay close attention to the patient's hydration status to prevent nephrotoxicity or liver impairment, and monitor closely for individuals with heart issues or arrhythmias.

After performing this week's shadow health assignments, I learned about the pathophysiology of infection, the stages of infection, the pathophysiology of bacteria, viruses, and fungi. Learning more about the pharmacotherapy of antibiotics, antivirals, antifungals, along with their mechanisms of action and effects, is essential information to know as a future nurse practitioner to improve the patient's clinical outcomes.

Besides, understanding antibiotic therapy hypersensitivity, such as Type I for anaphylactic reactions, are essential to decrease adverse outcomes and complicated reactions from drug therapy.

When researching the principles of antimicrobial therapy, it was defined as the providers will need to obtain an accurate diagnosis to treat the infection, understand the therapy types that are peculiar to antimicrobial agents, recognize antimicrobial stewardships, choose cost-effective and narrow-spectrum therapy, and consult with infectious disease specialists for further guidance (Leekha, Terrell, & Edson, 2011). After completing the assignment, I grew my knowledge to apply the principles of prescribing antibacterial medications by understanding different types of antibiotics and bacteria types, the action of antibiotics on specific gram-positive or gram-negative bacteria, assessing whether the patient ultimately needs antibiotic therapy and choosing the most effective and cost-effective.

Reference:

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