National Pediatric Nighttime Curriculum Q&A for Peripheral IV Infiltrations

Questions

- 1. The first step in management of an infiltration of a peripheral IV is the following:
 - a. Notify the attending on call
 - b. Raise the affected extremity
 - c. Place a cool compress over the affected area
 - d. Stop the infusion
 - e. Determine if the infusion is a vesicant
- 2. The following clinical criteria are seen in stage 4 infiltrations except:
 - a. Edema 2.5 15cm
 - b. Moderate pain
 - c. Discolored skin
 - d. Infiltration of a vesicant, irritant or blood products
 - e. Impaired circulation
- **3.** The IV should be removed promptly once it has infiltrated with a vesicant.
 - a. True
 - b. False
- **4.** The following drug is an FDA approved antidote for anthracycline extravasations
 - a. Hyaluronidase
 - b. Phentolamine
 - c. Dexrazoxane
 - d. Sodium thiosulphate
 - e. Topical glyceryl trinitrate
- 5. Which of the following signs/symptoms is *not* part of the INS Infiltration Scale?
 - a. Skin color
 - b. Edema
 - c. Pain
 - d. Fever
 - e. Skin temperature
- **6.** Each of the following drugs is a vesicant *except*:
 - a. Normal saline
 - b. Calcium chloride
 - c. Norepinephrine
 - d. Diazepam
 - e. Vinblastine

Answers

- 1. D.
- 2. A. Edema needs to be > 6
- **3. B.** It needs to be left in place until determined that it's not necessary for antidote administration
- **4. C.** The other choices are antidotes for other types of infiltrations. Hyaluronidase is used for vincrisine or vinblastine; Phentolamine for vasopressors; Sodium thiosulfate for mustine; Topical glyceryl trinitrate for parenteral nutrition
- 5. D.
- 6. A.