



## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

**Choose the correct answer.**

1. Which of the following best describes domestic violence?
  - a. A pattern of coercive control and power against current or former intimate partners.
  - b. Acts of physical, psychological and sexual assaults and economic abuse
  - c. Use of isolation, threats and intimidation to control relationship
  - d. All of the above
  
2. When interviewing and taking history, which of the following are "red flags" to make the health care provider suspect domestic violence.
  - 1 Explanation of injury is inconsistent with the nature of injury
  - 2 Significant time delay in seeking treatment for injury
  - 3 Seeking treatment from a variety of medical facilities and physicians
  - 4 Blaming "accident" frequently as the cause of injuries
  - 5 Repeated E.R. visits for injuries or stress-related complaints
  - a. 1,2,3 only
  - b. 1,3,5 only
  - c. 1,3,4 only
  - d. 1,2,3,4,5
  
3. In doing physical assessment, which of the following are indicators of domestic abuse?
  - 1 Multiple injuries in various stages of healing
  - 2 Bruises/hematoma/lacerations in different parts of the body
  - 3 Burns
  - 4 Fractures
  - a. All of the above
  - b. 1,2,4 only
  - c. 2,4 only
  - d. 2,3,4 only

### **True or False**

4. Every health practitioner who is knowledgeable or who reasonably suspects that a patient's wound or injury is a result of abusive or assaultive conduct is mandated to report to the local law enforcement agency.      T      F

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5. Failure to report domestic violence may result to a fine \$1,000.00 or more or jail sentence for 6 months or both. T F
  
6. It is recommended that treatment not be implemented before evidence is documented. It is, therefore, acceptable to take photographs of injury even without consent to facilitate treatment. T F
  
7. When experiencing ethical dilemmas between legal mandate to report domestic violence and the patient's desire not to report the abuse, health care providers need to remember the basic ethical principles of beneficence, autonomy, nonmaleficence, justice and confidentiality. T F

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