A Simulation: Post-Op Care for a Pediatric Patient with Hidden Evidence of Abuse

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Objectives and Preparation for Simulation

• Objectives
  – 2. Assess/intervene for circulation of arm
  – 3. Assess/intervene for pneumonia
  – (4. Discover & intervene for abuse.)

• Preparation
  – Assigned readings on post-op care, fractures, and developmental milestones for 6 yr
  – Skills review on cast care, IV care/assess/meds, and general assessment

• Pre-Clinical Conference
Introduction
Post-Op Care

- Dx: ORIF Left arm fracture w/cast,
- r/o Respiratory Infection (Pneumonia)
- Team of 4 students w/ assigned roles
- Handoff Report from PACU
- History of Injury
- Written Physician’s Orders
- Electronic Health Record (EHR)
  - Assessment
  - MAR
- Meds in “Accudose”
Abuse?

- History doesn’t match injury
- Past history of injuries
- Social Assessment
- Developmental Assessment
- Numerous red flags
- Hidden physical signs of abuse
Physical Assessment
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Action?

• Will the students take action?
• What action, if any?
• How will they initiate interventions and/or referrals/ collaboration?

• Other care?
  – Pain control - assessment & intervention
  – Circulation - assessment & interventions
  – Respiratory - assessment & interventions
  – Medication Allergy – obtain new orders
Debriefing

- Team Conference, use EHR
- View Video
- Critique their selves
- Critique by other team
- Critique by Instructor
- Review of Physician’s Orders
- Discussion of the Simulation
- Discussion of Child Abuse
References


Questions

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