

EMT Medical Emergencies Exam Study Guide

Learn the Facts

In preparation for this exam, please be sure that you have reviewed the following information provided by your textbook:

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Conditions listed in the index
- Glossary words
- Medical terms listed in each chapter
- Pathophysiology

Understand the Concepts

We especially recommend you understand the following concepts and terminology:

- 1. Arteriovenous shunt
- 2. Complications of renal dialysis
- 3. Diabetic Ketoacidosis (DKA) Pathophysiology, and effects on respiratory system
- 4. Egress
- 5. Evaluation for causes of an altered mental status with an unknown origin
- 6. Indications to check a blood glucose level
- 7. Mechanism of action of Epinephrine
- 8. Pathophysiology of anaphylaxis
- 9. Pathophysiology of Sickle Cell Anemia
- 10. Signs and symptoms of meningitis
- 11. Signs and symptoms of a narcotic overdosing
- 12. Signs and symptoms of severe dehydration
- 13. Special considerations for hypothermia
- 14. Syncope
- 15. Therapeutic communication

Perform the Skills

Finally, be sure you know how to:

- 1. Differentiate between anaphylaxis and allergic reactions
- 2. Differentiate between seizure phases
- 3. Evaluate scene safety with a psychiatric population
- 4. Recognize a traumatic brain injury (TBI)
- 5. Recognize hypo/hyperglycemia
- 6. Treat anaphylaxis
- 7. Treat for a patient with a snakebite
- 8. Treat for gastrointestinal (GI) bleeding
- 9. Treat for heat stroke and heat exhaustion
- 10. Use the Cincinnati Stroke Scale

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