

MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- 1) My primary health care provider can be _____. 1) _____
 - A) a doctor, a nurse practitioner, or a physician assistant
 - B) a health insurance company
 - C) only a physician
 - D) only an MD

- 2) As a patient, you should _____. 2) _____
 - A) not have a primary health care provider
 - B) develop health literacy
 - C) accept all the decisions that medical professionals make
 - D) never ask questions

- 3) Your younger brother has cut himself with a rusty knife he found in the garden. The wound is not life threatening, but it is deep enough that it makes you concerned. You would _____. 3) _____
 - A) make an appointment with his primary health care provider
 - B) take him to a DO
 - C) make an appointment with his physician
 - D) take him to an ER

- 4) How do inpatients differ from outpatients? 4) _____
 - A) Inpatients are admitted to a hospital for at least one night.
 - B) Inpatients have internal pain, whereas outpatients have outside wounds.
 - C) Inpatients cannot wait for a doctor patiently.
 - D) Inpatients have an infectious disease.

- 5) When you chose your physician, it is important that _____. 5) _____
 - A) he or she have email and phone access 24/7
 - B) he or she be both an MD and a DO
 - C) you feel comfortable with his or her style
 - D) he or she work in a big hospital and not in private care

- 6) You can receive public information about your physician from _____. 6) _____
 - A) the U.S. Food and Drug Administration
 - B) the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
 - C) the Federation of State Medical Boards
 - D) the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

- 7) If you are not satisfied with your physician, _____. 7) _____
 - A) it is too late to find a new one, since you signed a contract
 - B) you should go to the ER with every symptom
 - C) you are allowed to find another one who better suits your needs
 - D) your insurance company requires you to stay with him or her

- 8) For your first meeting with your physician, you should _____. 8) _____
- A) prepare a list of medical questions and concerns
 - B) make an extensive web search about your symptoms and bring printouts to your meeting
 - C) always go alone, since confidential information is being discussed
 - D) bring prescribed medications only; your vitamins or over-the-counter pills do not matter
- 9) You can ask your doctor _____. 9) _____
- A) whether your weight or blood pressure is in a healthy range
 - B) what to do if you do not receive your test results
 - C) whether your new medication will interact with any dietary supplements you are taking
 - D) All of the above are true.
- 10) It is your responsibility to _____. 10) _____
- A) read the label every time you open a new medication
 - B) follow up if test results do not arrive
 - C) find a doctor you feel comfortable talking to
 - D) All of the above are true.
- 11) Your doctor recommends that you undergo a major surgery. You should _____. 11) _____
- A) immediately make an appointment for the surgery
 - B) seek a second opinion from another doctor
 - C) ignore his or her recommendation
 - D) visit the ER
- 12) Your health care agent cannot _____. 12) _____
- A) be an employee of the health care provider unless he or she is a member of your family
 - B) make health care decisions for you
 - C) be any other person but your physician
 - D) be younger than 12 but older than 18 years old
- 13) When you need to go to a hospital for a surgery, you should _____. 13) _____
- A) go to a hospital that is known to have success in treating your medical condition
 - B) relax and try to avoid asking questions
 - C) pick the nearest hospital for convenience
 - D) trust the nurses and doctors there, because medical errors in hospitals are very rare

SHORT ANSWER. Write the word or phrase that best completes each statement or answers the question.

- 14) A(n) _____ can act as your legal representative and has the right to make health care decisions for you if your doctor decides you are unable to make them yourself. 14) _____
- 15) Doctors who pass an examination designed and administered by the specialty board are referred to as _____. 15) _____

- 16) At least 44,000 people die each year in the United States as a result of medical errors in hospitals. This number is _____ than number of deaths from car accidents every year. 16) _____

ESSAY. Write your answer in the space provided or on a separate sheet of paper.

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**TAKE ONE CAPSULE BY MOUTH THREE
TIMES DAILY FOR 10 DAYS UNTIL ALL TAKEN**

AMOXICILLIN 500MG CAPSULES

QTY _____ MRG _____
NO REFILLS - DR. AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED
USE BEFORE 06/23/12
SLF/SLF

Rx ONLY

- 17) Look at the label above. What is the name of your primary health care provider?
- 18) Look at the label above. What is the maximum time you should keep this medication?
- 19) You are a very healthy 23-year-old. You complete a health care proxy and name your 19-year-old brother as your health care agent. Can he be legally your health care agent? What will be his responsibilities?

Answer Key

Testname: UNTITLED2

- 1) A
- 2) B
- 3) D
- 4) A
- 5) C
- 6) C
- 7) C
- 8) A
- 9) D
- 10) D
- 11) B
- 12) A
- 13) A
- 14) health care agent
- 15) board certified
- 16) lower
- 17) Dr. C. Jones
- 18) 3 years. The prescription fill date is 6/23/09, but the medication should not be used after 6/23/12; therefore, the medication has a 3-year shelf life.
- 19) Any person at least 18 years old can serve as your health care agent. Your agent, acting as your legal representative, will have the right to make health care decisions for you if your doctor decides you are unable to make them yourself. Such decisions include whether to have medical tests and treatments and when to start and stop treatments.