Chapter 2
Legal and Ethical Principles of Emergency Care

1. What form is patient consent usually given under Emergency Medical Responder care?
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A.) Implied
B.) Formal
C.) Written
*D.) Oral

2. Under which circumstance can you NOT release information about a patient?
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A.) Received a subpoena
B.) During transfer to the emergency department
*C.) Received verbal permission from the patient
D.) During law enforcement investigation

3. What gives patients more control over their own health-care information?
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A.) PPHR
B.) MRUAS
*C.) HIPPA
D.) OSHA

4. What legal term means that one is morally or legally obligated to provide care?
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A.) Standard
*B.) Duty
C.) Responsibility
D.) Liability

5. Which is NOT an appropriate step to take when care is refused?
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A.) Document your efforts to provide care
*B.) Stop talking to the patient
C.) Use the aid of someone the patient trusts
D.) Stay calm and professional through the incident

6. Where is the "Vial of Life" kept?
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*A.) Refrigerator
B.) Bedroom closet
C.) Kitchen cabinet
D.) Mailbox

7. What is one of the most common places that abandonment is likely to occur?
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A.) In the ambulance
*B.) Emergency department
C.) At the scene
D.) In a person's home

8. Which of the following describes the duty of a mandated reporter?
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A.) Amount of information that is required to be given to emergency department personnel
*B.) Person who is required to report certain events
C.) Form that must be completed after each incident
D.) Media personnel who must cover a story

9. Which of the following does the scope of practice define?
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A.) What must be done for a patient's family
B.) What must be done for each patient
C.) What must be done in each situation
*D.) What is legally permitted to be done

10. Which type of damage is easiest to understand?
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A.) Emotional
B.) Psychological
C.) Monetary
*D.) Physical

11. What written order designates the patient who does not wish to prolong their life through resuscitative efforts?
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A.) CTA
*B.) DNR
C.) CAP
D.) NDP

12. Which of the following does NOT describe ethical behavior?
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A.) Proper
B.) Good
C.) Right
*D.) Adequate

13. Which type of consent is used with a child who needs treatment?
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A.) Informal
B.) Formal
C.) Expressed
*D.) Implied

14. What should be done when a mistake is made when providing care?
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A.) Ignore it
B.) Get your stories straight
*C.) Report it immediately
D.) Cover it up

15. What has been established to minimize exposure to liability and encourage passersby to provide emergency medical care?
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A.) Reciprocity Laws
B.) The Untouchable Laws
*C.) Good Samaritan Laws
D.) Limited Liability Laws

16. Which statement is NOT correct?
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A.) The driver's license may contain organ donor status
*B.) A severely injured organ donor does not require a high level of care
C.) An organ donor has completed a legal document designating
this
D.) A family member can relay to designation of a patient as an organ donor

17. Which of the following patients is NOT legally allowed to refuse care?
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A.) Elderly
B.) Injured
*C.) Child
D.) Sick

18. What is proven when the Emergency Medical Responder fails to provide care to a recognized and acceptable standard of care?
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A.) Assault
B.) Battery
C.) Abandonment
*D.) Negligence

19. What is the basis for many civil lawsuits involving prehospital care?
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A.) Assault
B.) Abandonment
C.) Battery
*D.) Negligence

20. What percentage of all people in the United States over the age of 65 demonstrate some degree of dementia?
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*A.) 15%
B.) 20%
C.) 30%
D.) 25%

21. Which element in a negligence lawsuit involves care for the patient not being provided to an acceptable standard of care?
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*A.) Breach of duty
B.) Damages
C.) Duty to act
D.) Causation

22. Which is your only course of action is a competent adult refuses care?
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A.) Threaten them with outcomes
*B.) Gain their confidence
C.) Transport them in spite of the refusal
D.) Restrain them

23. What is the patient's ability to understand what is going on around him?
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A.) Consent
B.) Integrity
C.) Intelligence
*D.) Competence

24. Which deals with the questions, "Did you go the right thing, at the right time, and for the right reasons?
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A.) Common practice
B.) Scope of practice
C.) Duty to act
*D.) Standard of care