

Pharmacology NR 293

Quiz 3 & 4 (40 pts)

1. . A patient is receiving an opioid via a PCA pump as part of his postoperative pain management program. During rounds, the nurse finds him unresponsive, with respirations of 8 breaths/min and blood pressure of 102/58 mm Hg. After stopping the opioid infusion, what should the nurse do next?

- a. Notify the charge nurse.
- b. Draw arterial blood gases.
- c. Administer an opiate antagonist per standing orders.
- d. Perform a thorough assessment, including mental status examination.

2. Intravenous morphine is prescribed for a patient who has had surgery. The nurse informs the patient that which common adverse effects can occur with this medication? (Select all that apply.)

- a. Diarrhea
- b. Constipation
- c. Pruritus
- d. Urinary frequency
- e. Nausea

3. A patient is recovering from general anesthesia. What is the nurse's main concern during the immediate postoperative period?

- a. Airway
- b. Pupillary reflexes
- c. Return of sensations
- d. Level of consciousness

4. During a patient's recovery from a lengthy surgery, the nurse monitors for signs of malignant hyperthermia. In addition to a rapid rise in body temperature, which assessment findings, would indicate the possible presence of this condition? (Select all that apply.)

- a. Respiratory depression
- b. Tachypnea
- c. Tachycardia