

Gerontological Nursing 9th Edition Eliopoulos

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Chapter 1 The Aging Population

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MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. The nurse explains that in the late 1960s, health care focus was aimed at the older adult because:

- a. disability was viewed as unavoidable.
- b. complications from disease increased mortality.
- c. older adults needs are similar to those of all adults.
- d. preventive health care practices increased longevity.

ANS: D

Increased preventive health care practices, disease control, and focus on wellness helped people live longer.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Comprehension REF: 2 OBJ: 2

TOP: Aging Trends KEY: Nursing Process Step: Implementation

MSC: NCLEX: Health Promotion and Maintenance: Growth and Development

2. The nurse clarifies that in the terminology defining specific age groups, the term *aged* refers to persons who are:

- a. 55 to 64 years of age.
- b. 65 to 74 years of age.
- c. 75 to 84 years of age.
- d. 85 and older.

ANS: C

The term *aged* refers to persons who are 75 to 84 years of age.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Comprehension REF: 2, Table 1-1 OBJ: 1

TOP: Age Categories KEY: Nursing Process Step: Implementation

MSC: NCLEX: Health Promotion and Maintenance: Growth and Development

3. The nurse cautions that ageism is a mindset that influences persons to:

- a. discriminate against persons solely on the basis of age.
- b. fear aging.
- c. be culturally sensitive to concerns of aging.
- d. focus on resources for the older adult.

ANS: A

Ageism is a negative belief pattern that influences persons to discriminate against persons solely on the basis of age and can lead to destructive behaviors toward the older adult.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Comprehension REF: 5 OBJ: 3

TOP: Ageism KEY: Nursing Process Step: Implementation

MSC: NCLEX: Psychosocial Integrity: Psychosocial Adaptation

4. The nurse points out that the most beneficial legislation that has influenced health care for the older adult is:

- a. Medicare and Medicaid.
- b. elimination of the mandatory retirement age.
- c. the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- d. the Drug Benefit Program.

ANS: A

The broadest sweeping legislation beneficial to the older adult is Medicare and Medicaid.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Application REF: 16 OBJ: 6

TOP: Legislation KEY: Nursing Process Step: Implementation

MSC: NCLEX: N/A

5. The nurse clarifies that a housing option for the older adult that offers the privacy of an apartment with restaurant-style meals and some medical and personal care services is the:

- a. government-subsidized housing.
- b. long-term care facility.
- c. assisted-living center.
- d. group housing plan.

ANS: C

Assisted-living arrangements offer the privacy of an apartment or condominium with meals prepared and served, limited medical care, and a variety of personal services.

DIF: Cognitive Level: Application REF: 14 OBJ: 9

TOP: Housing Options KEY: Nursing Process Step: Implementation

MSC: NCLEX: Physiological Integrity: Physiological Adaptation

6. The 75-year-old man who has been hospitalized following a severe case of pneumonia is concerned about his mounting hospital bill and asks if his Medicare coverage will pay for his care. The nurses most helpful response is Yes. Medicare:

- a. pays 100% of all medical costs for persons older than 65.
- b. Part B pays hospital costs and physician fees.
- c. Part A pays for inpatient hospital costs.
- d. Part D pays 80% of the charges made by physicians.

ANS: C

Medicare Part A pays inpatient hospital costs, Part B pays 80% of physicians charges, and Part D helps defray prescription drug costs.