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An Occupational Therapy's Role to Seating and Positioning

1. Which of the following is NOT within an occupational therapist's scope of practice related to seating and positioning?

- A. Writing a prescription
- B. Completing a wheelchair evaluation
- C. Recommending types of mobility devices
- D. Making home modifications

2. What is one of the main goals of an occupational therapist recommending a mobility device?

- A. Improving endurance
- B. Increasing range of motion
- C. Compensating for poor strength
- D. Enhancing functional performance

3. Which of the following principles should always be followed when taking measurements for wheelchairs?

- A. All lower body joints should be symmetrical at 90-90-90 degrees
- B. Patients always need specialized cushions to prevent pressure ulcers

C. Wheelchair options must be carefully assessed and determined safe before a recommendation is made

D. In order to qualify for a wheelchair, patients must be able to reposition themselves

4. What diagnosis may not qualify someone to receive a wheelchair?

- A. Multiple sclerosis
- B. Muscular dystrophy
- C. Stroke
- D. All of the above

5. What wheelchair feature does not offer shock absorption?

- A. Casters
- B. Tires
- C. Back support
- D. None of the above

6. How does a therapist choose the right size wheels for a wheelchair?

- A. Go with the standard ones that come with the chair
- B. Select ones that allow the patient a 30 degree elbow bend when propelling
- C. Choose the ones with the best shock absorption
- D. Pick them based on diagnosis

7. What is not part of a wheelchair evaluation?

- A. Mat assessment
- B. Reflex testing
- C. Family evaluation
- D. Skin integrity

8. How long is pediatric seating equipment expected to last?

- A. 2 years
- B. 3 years
- C. 1 year
- D. 4 years

9. Which of the following is a positioning tool that can be used in the schools?

- A. Wobble chair
- B. T-stool
- C. Standing desk
- D. All of the above

10. What is an important consideration when using bathing chairs for children?

- A. Don't take them to the beach
- B. Never leave a child unsupervised in this chair
- C. Follow supplier recommendations when cleaning the chair
- D. Get a new one each year to prevent infections

11. What might make a child appropriate for a tub chair?

- A. Epilepsy
- B. Poor postural control
- C. Autonomic dysreflexia
- D. All of the above

12. What population may benefit from anti-tippers on their wheelchair?

- A. Epilepsy
- B. Stroke
- C. Brain injury
- D. All of the above

13. Which of the following is NOT a measurement that a therapist takes during a wheelchair evaluation?

- A. Elbow to fingertip
- B. Base of seat to top of head
- C. Foot length
- D. Superior angle of the scapula

14. What is not necessary to include in the wheelchair evaluation?

- A. Simulation
- B. Psychosocial testing
- C. Home assessment
- D. Equipment trial

15. What is not an aspect of functional movement that is assessed during a wheelchair evaluation

- A. Ability to interact with the wheelchair
- B. Trunk stability
- C. Upper extremity use
- D. Shifting weight

16. What are the most important aspects of vision that should be intact for independent wheelchair users?

- A. Visual fields
- B. Depth perception
- C. Object discrimination
- D. All of the above

17. During a mat assessment, what position should you test the patient's motion and strength in?

- A. Supine
- B. Seated
- C. Prone
- D. Both A and B

18. Which of the following is NOT a reason that poorly integrated reflexes impacts wheelchair use?

- A. They can make posture asymmetrical
- B. They can impact motor control
- C. They can impact breathing
- D. They can affect personal safety

19. What is NOT a way that patient goals impact the evaluation process?

- A. A device can be chosen solely based on patient preference
- B. Patients can provide some feedback to inform the new choice
- C. Patients can report likes and dislikes about their current device
- D. Patients can report how their current chair performs at home and outside

20. Which of the following is a piece of relevant history when doing a wheelchair evaluation?

A. History of seizures

- B. Prior level of function
- C. Dental surgeries
- D. Hospitals they've visited

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