

Learner Feedback Questions #311

- Which of the following statements about *C. difficile* is correct?
 - It is naturally found in the environment.
 - Most patients infected are those above 40 years of age.
 - When a person has a *C. difficile* infection, they are then immune to the bacteria.
 - Complications following a *C. difficile* infection are minimal.
- A common risk factor for *C. difficile* is:
 - nutritional deficiencies
 - overuse of antibiotics
 - immobilization
 - previous infection of *E. coli*
- The course of a *C. difficile* infection is:
 - usually 3-5 days duration if patient is hydrated and on a 10-day course of antibiotics
 - self-limiting if the patient is isolated until the diarrhea subsides
 - likely to predispose the patient to several life-threatening complications
 - shortened if the patient is prescribed antidiarrheal medications immediately
- To make the diagnosis of *C. difficile*, stools are considered positive if which substance is detected?
 - blood
 - toxins
 - parasites
 - high WBC counts
- Besides prolonged diarrhea, what other symptom is associated with *C. difficile*?
 - vomiting
 - anorexia
 - night sweats
 - delirium
- Which of the following foods is a patient with *C. difficile* instructed to eat?
 - green, leafy vegetables
 - foods or juices high in vitamin C
 - yogurt
 - cream-based soups
- Which of the following measures to destroy the *C. difficile* bacteria is not indicated?
 - use diluted household bleach to clean surfaces
 - allow disinfectants to air-dry for maximum effect
 - use gown and gloves at a minimum for contact protection
 - use alcohol-based products for handwashing
- One of the two drugs of choice for the treatment of *C. difficile* is:
 - methicillin
 - gentamicin
 - cephalosporins
 - vancomycin
- In the APIC-funded study done in 2008, what was the No. 1 common factor among patients who developed *C. difficile* infections?
 - patients in long-term care facilities
 - had at least two comorbidities
 - had been on antimicrobials before onset of *C. difficile*
 - had surgery within the past 60 days
- When collecting a stool specimen for detection of *C. difficile*, the stool must be collected:
 - on 3 consecutive days
 - and analyzed within 2 hours
 - as a culture only
 - under sterile conditions

Evaluation

- I can describe the pathophysiology related to *C. difficile* infections.
 - strongly agree
 - agree
 - neutral
 - disagree
 - strongly disagree
- I can discuss the epidemiology related to *C. difficile* infections.
 - strongly agree
 - agree
 - neutral
 - disagree
 - strongly disagree
- I can prepare a nursing care plan for a patient with *C. difficile*.
 - strongly agree
 - agree
 - neutral
 - disagree
 - strongly disagree
- The objectives relate to the overall goal of the article.
 - strongly agree
 - agree
 - neutral
 - disagree
 - strongly disagree
- The article is well-written and logically organized, and defines terms adequately.
 - strongly agree
 - agree
 - neutral
 - disagree
 - strongly disagree

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