

Written Knowledge Exam Vocabulary List

A

Abandonment
Abdominal Thrust
Abduction
Abduction Pillow / Wedge
Ability
Abuse
Abuse Registry
Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS)
Active Range of Motion (AROM)
Activities of Daily Living (ADLs)
Acute Care
Adaptive / Assistive Devices
Adduction
Adult Protective Services (APS)
Advance Directive
Affected
Ageism
Agitation
Airborne Precautions
Alignment
Alveoli
Alzheimer's Disease
AM Care
Ambulate
Amputation
Amputee
Anaphylaxis
Anemia
Angina
Antiembolism Stocking
Anti-microbial
Anxiety
Aphasia
Apical
Apnea
Artery
Arthritis
Asepsis
Aspiration
Aspiration Precautions
Assault

Assisted Living

Asthma

Atrophy

Autism

Axillary

B

Bacteria

Base of Support

Battery

Bed Cradle

Bed Protector / Linen Protector

Bedpan

Bedside Commode

Belief

Belonging

Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy (BPH)

Bias

Biohazard / Biohazardous

Bipolar Disorder

Bladder

Bladder Retraining

Bland

Blindness

Blood Clot

Blood Glucose

Blood Pressure (BP)

Bloodborne Pathogens (BBP)

Body Language

Body Mechanics

Bone

Bony Prominences

Bowel Movement (BM)

Bowel Obstruction

Bowel Retraining

Brachial Artery

Brain

Brief

Bronchi

Bronchitis

Burns

C

Call Light
Cancer
Cane
Capillary
Carbohydrates
Cardiac
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)
Care Plan
Cataract
Catastrophic Reaction
Center for Disease Control (CDC)
Centigrade / Celsius (°C)
Central Nervous System (CNS)
Cerebral Palsy
Cerebrovascular Accident (CVA, Stroke)
Certification
Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)
Chain of Infection
Cheyne-Stokes
Choking
Chronic
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)
Circumcised
Clean
Clean Catch / Midstream
Clear Liquid (Cl Liq)
Clergy
Cliché`
Client
Closed Bed
Clostridium Difficile (C-Diff)
Cognition
Cognitive Impairment
Cold Pack
Collection Device (Hat)
Colostomy
Communicable
Communication
Concentrator
Condom Catheter
Confidentiality
Confusion
Congestive Heart Failure (CHF)

Conscious
Constipation
Contact Precautions
Contamination
Contracture
Coronary Artery Disease (CAD)
COVID-19
Cross Contamination
Crutches
Cultural Diversity
Culturally Sensitive Care
Culture
Customs
Cyanosis
Cyanotic

D

Dangle
Deafness
Decubitus
De-escalation
Defamation
Defecation
Dehydration
Delegation
Delirium
Delusion
Dementia
Denture
Department of Health (DOH)
Depression
Dermis
Diabetes Type 1 (T1DM)
Diabetes Type 2 (T2DM)
Diabetic Diet
Dialysis
Diaphragm
Diarrhea
Diastolic
Diet Card / Meal Card
Dietician
Digital Thermometer
Dignity
Dirty
Disability

Disabled
Disinfect
Disinfectant
Disposable
Diversity
Do Not Resuscitate (DNR)
Documentation
Doff
Don
Down Drain Bag
Down Syndrome
Drape
Draw / Lift / Transfer Sheet
Droplet Precautions
Dysphagia
Dysphasia
Dyspnea
Dysuria

E

Ear Canal
Edema
Electronic Thermometer
Elimination
Embolism
Emesis
Emesis Basin
Empathy
Emphysema
Enema
Epidermis
Epiglottis
Epilepsy
Epistaxis
Ethics
Ethnicity
Exhale / Exhalation / Expiration
Expectorate
Expire
Exploitation
Exposure Control Plan
Exposure Incident
Extension

F

Face Mask
Fahrenheit (°F)
Fainting (syncope)
Faith
False Imprisonment
Fan Fold
Fat
Fecal Impaction
Feces
Female External Catheter
Fiber
First Aid
Flatus
Flexion
Flow Meter
Fluid Balance
Fluid Restriction
Foot Drop
Foreskin
Fowler's
Fracture
Fracture Pan
Fraud
Full Liquid
Full Weight Bearing (FWB)

G

Gait
Gait / Transfer Belt
Gastroesophageal Reflux (GERD)
Gastronomy Tube
Gender
Gender Identity
Gender Pronouns
Geriatrics
Gland
Glaucoma
Glucometer
Gluten Free
Graduate
Grooming

H

Hallucination
Hand Hygiene
Health Care Team
Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)
Healthcare-Associated Infection (HAI)
Hearing Impaired
Heart Rate (HR)
Height (Ht)
Hemiplegia
Hemorrhoid
Hepatitis
High Protein
High-Fowler's
Hip Fracture
Hip Replacement
Holistic Care
Home Health
Hormones
Hospice
Hospital
HS / PM Care
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)
Humidifier
Hygiene
Hyperglycemia
Hypertension (HTN)
Hypoglycemia
Hypotension

I

Ileostomy
Immune System
Immunity (specific/nonspecific)
Incident Report
Incontinence
Incontinence Pad
Indwelling Catheter
Infection
Infection Prevention and Control (IPC)
Inflammation
Influenza
Inhale / Inhalation / Inspiration
Insulin

Intake
Integumentary
Intellectual Disability
Interdisciplinary
Intravenous (IV)
Inventory / Belonging List
Irregular
Isolation

J

Job Description
Joint

K

Kidney Stone
Knee Replacement
Knowledge Exam

L

Labia
Larynx
Lateral
Leg Bag
Liability
Lice
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
Life Support Systems
Ligament
Living Will
Logroll
Long Term Care (LTC)
Low Cholesterol
Low Fat
Low Protein
Low Sodium

M

Malpractice
Mandated Reporter
Mania
Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs
Mechanical Lift
Mechanical Soft
Medicaid

Medical Abbreviations
Medical Doctor (MD)
Medical Record
Medical Terminology
Medicare
Mental Health
Mental Illness
Message
Metabolism
Microorganism
Milliliter (mL)
Misappropriation of Property
Misconduct
Mitered Corner
Mobility
Modified Calorie
Mottling
Mucous Membrane
Multidrug-Resistant Organisms (MDROs)
Multiple Sclerosis
Muscle
Myocardial Infarction (MI, Heart Attack)
MyPlate

N

Nares
Nasal Cannula
Nasogastric Tube
Nausea
Neglect
Nerve
Nocturia
Non-pathogen
Non-rebreather Mask
Non-skid Soles
Non-verbal Communication
Non-weight Bearing (NWB)
Normal Flora
Nursing Assistant Performance List (NAPP)
Nursing Team

O

Objective
Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD)
Occult Blood

Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)
Occupational Therapist (OT)
Occupational Therapy
Occupied Bed
OLST (Order for Life Sustaining Treatment)
Ombudsman / ombuds
Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (OBRA)
Open Bed
Oral
Orthostatic
Orthotic
Osteoarthritis
Osteoporosis
Ostomy
Ostomy Bag
Ounces (oz)
Outpatient Care
Output
Oxygen (O2)

P

Pacemaker
Pacing
Pain
Palliative Care
Pancreas
Paraplegia
Parkinson's Disease
Partial Weight Bearing (PWB)
Passive Range of Motion (PROM)
Pathogen
Patient
Patient Rights
Pediatric
Penis
Perineal Care
Perineum
Peripheral Vascular Disease (PVD)
Perseveration
Personal Dignity
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
Person-Directed Care
Pertussis
Phantom Pain

Phobia
Physical
Physical Therapist (PT)
Physical Therapy
Pivot
Pneumonia
Poisoning
POLST (Physician Order for Life Sustaining Treatment)
Polyuria
Postmortem Care
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)
Power of Attorney
Prediabetes
Pressure Injury / Ulcer / Sore
Professionalism
Prone
Prosthesis
Protected Health Information (PHI)
Protein
Psychosocial
Pulse
Pulse Oximeter
Pureed

Q

Quadriplegia

R

Race
Radial Artery
Range of Motion (ROM)
Rash
Receiver
Rectal
Rectum
Redirection
Reflux
Registered Nurse (RN)
Rehabilitation
Religion
Renal Failure
Renewal
Reporting
Resident

Resident Rights
Respiration
Respiratory Rate (RR)
Respiratory Therapist (RT)
Restoration
Restorative Care
Restraint Alternatives
Restraints
Reverse Isolation
Rheumatoid Arthritis
Rigor Mortis
Rotation

S

Safety
Safety Data Sheet (SDS)
Sample / Specimen
Scabies
Scale
Schizophrenia
Scope of Practice
Scope of Responsibility
Scrotum
Security
Seizure
Self Esteem
Self-care Deficit
Semi-Fowler's
Sender
Sex
Sexual Harassment
Sexuality / Sexual Orientation
Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI)
Shearing
Shingles
Shock
Shortness of Breath (SOB)
Side Rails
Sign
Sim's
Sitz Bath
Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)
Skills Exam
Social Worker (SW)
Soft

Speech Therapist / Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP)
Speech Therapy
Sphygmomanometer
Spinal Cord
Spinal Cord Injury
Spiritual
Spiritual Needs
Standard Precautions
Sterile
Stethoscope
Stoma
Stool
Straight Catheter
Stress
Subcutaneous Tissue
Subjective
Substance Abuse
Suicide
Sundowning
Supine
Supportive Devices
Suprapubic Catheter
Sympathy
Symptom
Systolic

T

Temporal
Tendon
Terminal Illness
Terminally Ill
Thermometer
Thyroid
Toe Pleat
Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN)
Trachea
Transmission-based Precautions
Trapeze
Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)
Triggers

Tuberculosis (TB)
Tumor
Tympanic

U

24 hr. Urine Collection
Ulcer
Unaffected
Uncircumcised
Unconscious
Ureterostomy
Urinal
Urinalysis
Urinary Incontinence
Urinary Meatus
Urinary Retention
Urinary Tract Infection (UTI)
Urination
Utah Nursing Assistant Registry (UNAR)

V

Vagina
Validation Therapy
Values
Vegetarian
Vein
Verbal Communication
Vertigo
Virus
Visual Impairment
Voiding
Vomit

W

Walker
Wandering
Weight (Wt)
Weight Bearing
Wheelchair
Willful Infliction of Harm

Abbreviations

AKA -above knee amputation
Amb – ambulate
ASAP – as soon as possible
BID – twice a day
BKA – below knee amputation
BRP – bathroom privileges
c̄ - with
cl liq – clear liquid
c/o – complains of
Dx – diagnosis
FBS – fasting blood sugar
FWB – full weight bearing
HOB – head of bed
HS – hour of sleep
I&O – intake and output

LLE – left lower extremity
LUE – left upper extremity
NKA – no known allergies
NPO – nothing by mouth
NWB – non-weight bearing
OOB – out of bed
PO – by mouth
PPE – personal protective equipment
PRN – as needed
PWB – partial weight bearing
q – every
RLE – right lower extremity
RUE – right upper extremity
s̄ - *without*
TID – three times a day

Acronyms

F.A.S.T.

Face Drooping
Arm Weakness
Speech Difficulty
Time

PASS

Pull
Aim
Squeeze
Sweep

RACE

Rescue/Remove
Activate/Alarm
Confine/Contain
Extinguish/Evacuate