# Topics and control questions for practical classes in the discipline "First Aid" for the 1st year students

(Faculty of Foreign Students)

#### STUDY 1

Topic: Introduction to the discipline "First Aid". First aid priorities. Ethics, deontology, psychology in the relationship of a medical worker with a patient.

**Goal:** To acquaint with the tasks; the content of the discipline "First aid", the rules of law in the provision of the first aid, issues of the medical ethics and deontology.

## **Control questions:**

- 1. The history of development, the content of the discipline "First Aid".
- 2. The concept of types of the medical care.
- 3. Regulatory legal support for the provision of the first aid to patients by medical workers or persons obliged to provide first aid in accordance with the law.
  - 4. Responsibility for failure to provide first aid.
- 5. Deontology, ethics, psychology in the relationship of the medical workers with patients.

#### STUDY 2

## **Topic:** Personal safety in the first aid.

Goal: To acquaint with infection prevention and control during medical care.

# **Control questions:**

- 1. Aseptics, antiseptics, general rules.
- 2. Definition of the concept of "healthcare-associated infections" (HAIs). Risk factors for the development of HAIs, classification.
- 3. Source of infection, ways and factors of the transmission, the definition of the HAIs disease.
- 4. Types of modern antiseptics. General characteristics of antiseptic agents.
  - 5. Rules of hygienic hand antiseptic.
  - 6. Personal protective equipment for medical workers.
  - 7. Medical wastes management in the provision of first aid.
- 8. Prevention of medical workers occupational infection. Measures in case of the contact with the patient biological fluids and contamination of environmental objects.

#### **Practical skills:**

1. Hand protection and hygiene in the first aid (contact with the biological fluids).

#### STUDY 3

Topic: General principles of the first aid. Head-to-toe examination of the patient.

**Goal:** To acquaint with the basic rules of the first aid organization, methods of the victims transportation.

## **Control questions:**

- 1. Rules of the first aid organization.
- 2. Algorithm of action at an emergency. Equipment and techniques at an emergency. Head-to-toe examination of the patient.
  - 3. First aid kit. General principles of the first aid.
  - 4. Methods for transporting victims, removing clothes and shoes.
- 5. Types of injections, injection technique at the pre-hospital stage. The technique of the pain relief.

#### **Practical skills:**

- 1. Calling for emergency help. Maintaining verbal, visual, tactile contact with the victim.
  - 2. Moving the victim to a safe place by one rescuer, several rescuers using the improvisational stretchers.
  - 3. Transportation of the victim on the stretchers.
- 4. Transportation of an injured person with trauma of the head, chest, abdomen, pelvis, spine.

#### STUDY 4

# Topic: Monitoring of the vital signs. Medical priorities in lifesaving.

Goal: To master algorithms for assessing the general condition of the victim, measuring parameters of vital body functions.

## **Control questions:**

- 1. Assessment of the victim's condition. Measurement of the parameters of vital body functions.
  - 2. Objective data of the patient's state.
- 3. Assessment of consciousness, functions of the respiratory and circulatory systems.
- 4. Characteristics of the pulse, pulse measurement technique. Types and frequency of breathing, counting the breathing rate.
  - 5. Blood pressure measurement technique.

## **Practical skills:**

- 1. Examination of the victim.
- 2. Determination of signs of impaired consciousness, impaired breathing, cardiac activity.
- 3. Determination, counting the pulse on the radial, carotid arteries, counting the breathing rate.
  - 4. Blood pressure measurement technique.

#### STUDY 5

## Topic: First aid for patients with wounds and bleeding.

**Goal:** To acquaint with the basic principles of the first aid for victims with bleeding.

## **Control questions:**

- 1. Bleeding definition, classification.
- 2. Criteria for determination of the severity of bleeding.
- 3. The main clinical symptoms of acute bleeding.
- 4. Mechanical, physical, chemical, biological methods for stopping bleeding.
  - 5. Nosebleed care.

#### **Practical skills:**

- 1. Technique of applying pressure over a bleeding artery (temporal, submandibular, carotid, subclavian, axillary, brachial, femoral).
- 2. Temporary stopping of bleeding by the method of flexion of the limb (shoulder, elbow, knee joints).
  - 3. Making and applying a pressing bandage.
- 4. Technique of using the hemostatic tourniquet on the shoulder, on the thigh.
  - 5. First aid for the nosebleeds.

## STUDY 6

## Topic: First aid for injuries: contusion, sprain, dislocation, fracture.

Goal: To introduce the basic principles of the first aid to injured victims.

## **Control questions:**

- 1. Concept of "injury". Mechanism and circumstances of the injury.
- 2. Soft tissue injuries, contusion, sprain, dislocation, fracture: clinical manifestations, basics of the emergency medical care. General rules for applying bandage.
- 3. Chest injuries: the concept of pneumothorax, clinical manifestations, the basics of the emergency care.
- 4. Crush-syndrome (traumatic rhabdomyolysis or Bywaters' syndrome): clinical manifestations, the basics of the emergency medical care.
- 5. The types of Eye Injuries (foreign bodies, injuries to the eyeball and eyelids, chemical exposures and burns): clinical manifestations, the basics of the emergency care.

#### **Practical skills:**

- 1. Making and applying an ice pack (cool pack) to the area of injury.
- 2. First aid for the eye injuries.

#### STUDY 7

# Topic: First aid for patients with fractures and dislocations.

**Goal:** To acquaint with the basic principles of the first aid to victims with fractures and dislocations.

- 1. Dislocations and fractures: concept and clinical manifestations.
- 2. First aid for injuries of bones and joints, gunshot wounds of the musculoskeletal system.
- 3. Transport immobilization, prevention of complications in dislocations and fractures.
- 4. Wounds: a brief description, the basics of the emergency medical care. The concept of the primary surgical treatment of the wound.
  - 5. First aid for injuries of the skin and mucous membranes. The technique of the removal of splinters, tick removal, complication prevention.

#### **Practical skills:**

- 1. Performing the transport immobilization of the upper limb with limb with one or two kerchiefs.
- 2. Making a cervical splint (collar) from the scrap materials and fixing the cervical spine of the victim in a supine, sitting position, in a vehicle seat.
- 3. Making an improvised splint and immobilization of the limbs in case of injury to the shoulder, forearm, thigh, lower leg.
  - 4. Removal of a splinter, tick.

## **STUDY 8**

Topic: First aid for injuries associated with heat exposure and cold temperature exposure (burns and frostbite).

**Goal:** To acquaint with the basic principles of providing first aid to victims with burns and frostbite.

## **Control questions:**

- 1. Burns: clinical manifestations, methods for determining the area of the burn.
  - 2. Basics of providing emergency medical care at the prehospital stage.
  - 3. Rules of the transporting burns victims. Transportation options for burns victims.
- 4. Sunburn and dehydration. Heatstroke (sunstroke), lightning strike: first aid.
- 5. Cold injury (frostbite, general hypothermia): severity, clinical manifestations, basics of emergency medical care at the prehospital stage

## **Practical skills:**

- 1. First aid for patients with burns.
- 2. First aid in case of heatstroke, sunstroke, lightning strike.
- 3. First aid for frostbite, hypothermia patients.

## STUDY 9

Topic: First aid for patients with pathology of the respiratory system.

Goal: To acquaint with the basic principles of first aid for diseases, pathology of the respiratory system.

- 1. Clinical signs of life-threatening conditions in respiratory diseases.
- 2. Dyspnea, its types, cough.

- 3. Acute respiratory failure, the basics of emergency medical care.
- 4. Rules and techniques for using the inhaler.
- 5. Hemoptysis, pulmonary hemorrhage, basics of emergency medical help at the prehospital stage.

#### **Practical skills:**

1. The technique of the individual inhaler usage.

## **STUDY 10**

Topic: First aid for patients with pathology of the cardiovascular system.

**Goal:** To acquaint with the basic principles of first aid for diseases of the cardiovascular system.

## **Control questions:**

- 1. Clinical signs of life-threatening conditions in diseases of the cardiovascular system.
- 2. Acute heart failure, the basics of emergency medical care at the prehospital stage.
- 3. First aid for patients with the chest pain, fainting, collapse, arrhythmias, hypertensive crisis, acute cerebrovascular accident (stroke).
  - 4. Sudden death (primary cardiac arrest), first aid technique.
- 5. The concept of the cardiovascular resuscitation. The main resuscitation measures (open airway, artificial ventilation, cardiac compressions). Criteria for the effectiveness of the cardiovascular resuscitation.

#### **Practical skills:**

- 1. Removal of a visible foreign body from the oral cavity of an unconscious victim.
  - 2. Maintenance of upper airway patency
  - 3. Basic cardiovascular resuscitation by one or two rescuers.

## STUDY 11

Topic: First aid for patients with diseases of the gastrointestinal tract and kidneys.

**Goal:** To acquaint with the basic principles of the first aid for diseases of the digestive, urinary systems.

- 1. The main symptoms of the diseases of the gastrointestinal tract.
- 2. The concept and the main features of the "acute abdominal pain" syndrome. Rules of the transportation of patients with acute abdominal pain syndrome.
- 3. Gastrointestinal bleeding: causes, clinical symptoms, basics of emergency medical care at the prehospital stage.
- 4. The concept of the "renal colic", the main clinical symptoms, the basics of emergency medical care at the prehospital stage.

## STUDY 12

# Topic: First aid for injuries and diseases of the central nervous system.

**Goal:** To acquaint with the basic principles of the first aid for patients with diseases of the central nervous system.

## **Control questions:**

- 1. Clinical signs of life-threatening conditions in diseases of the central nervous system.
  - 2. Clinical signs of loss of consciousness, the main causes.
  - 3. Seizures, types of seizures. Epileptic seizures. Hysterical seizures.
  - 4. First aid for patients with diseases of the nervous system.
- 5. First aid for patients with hallucinations, delirium, loss of consciousness.
- 6. Injuries of the spinal cord and brain: the basics of emergency medical care at the prehospital stage, peculiarities of the transportation of victims and patients.

#### **Practical skills:**

1. First aid for patients with seizures, loss of consciousness.

## **STUDY 13**

# Topic: First aid for patients with fever and acute allergic reactions.

Goal: To acquaint with the basic principles of first aid for patients with fever, allergic reactions.

## **Control questions:**

- 1. The concept and the mechanism of thermoregulation.
- 2. Clinical manifestations of fever.
- 3. First aid for patients with fever.
- 4. Warming, cold compresses, heating pads, ice packs usage; indications, contraindications.
  - 5. Allergic reactions, the main symptoms and types.
- 6. Urticaria, drug allergy, anaphylaxis, angioedema (Quincke's edema), first aid.

#### **Practical skills:**

1. First aid for allergic reactions.

#### STUDY 14

# Topic: First aid for poisoning, insect sting and animal bites.

Goal: To acquaint with the basic principles of first aid to victims of poisoning, insect sting and animal bites.

- 1. The concept of "acute poisoning".
- 2. Classification of poisoning and toxic substances. Periods of the acute poisoning.
- 3. Clinical manifestations of the most frequent acute poisoning (carbon monoxide, alcohol, drugs, poisonous (toxic) plants, mushrooms, pesticides used in agriculture, household poisons).

- 4. Basics of emergency medical care for acute poisoning at the prehospital stage. Gastric lavage technique.
- 5. Bites of poisonous snakes, insects, animals: clinical symptoms, the basics of emergency medical care at the prehospital stage.

## **Practical skills:**

1. Emergency management of poisoning.

## STUDY 15

Topic: First aid to participants in a traffic accident, fires, water incidents.

Goal: To acquaint with the basic principles of first aid to victims of traffic accident, fires, water incidents, electrical incidents, barotrauma.

- 1. Peculiarities of the first aid in extreme situations (traffic accident, fires).
- 2. Rules of work in an emergency (features of creating a safe environment and rules for providing assistance).
- 3. Inhalation of smoke, asphyxia, drowning, the basics of emergency medical care.
- 4. Electrical incidents: causes, local and general manifestations, course features, first aid.
  - 5. The concept of barotrauma, first aid.