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SAMPLE QUESTION 1

A 24-year-old woman presents with mild lower abdominal pain and spotting. BP 115/70, HR 90. Beta-hCG 1800 IU/L. TVUS shows a small adnexal mass, no rupture, stable condition.

What is the best management option?

A. Methotrexate IM — Correct answer

- B. Immediate laparotomy
- C. Expectant management without follow-up
- D. Suction curettage
- E. Hysterectomy

EXPLANATION

Stable, unruptured ectopic pregnancy with hCG <5000 and no contraindications can be managed medically with methotrexate.

SAMPLE QUESTION 2

Which of the following is first-line therapy for acute uncomplicated cystitis in women?

A. Ciprofloxacin

B. Nitrofurantoin — Correct answer

- C. Ceftriaxone
- D. Amoxicillin
- E. Vancomycin

EXPLANATION

Nitrofurantoin is a preferred first-line treatment per guidelines due to low resistance rates.

SAMPLE QUESTION 3

A 34-year-old woman has 6 migraine days/month despite optimized acute therapy. BP 120/75, BMI 29, not pregnant, no asthma or depression. ECG normal.

Which preventive strategy is most appropriate?

A. Propranolol 40–80 mg twice daily (monitor HR/BP) — Correct answer

- B. Short-course steroids monthly
- C. Triptan daily
- D. Opioid patch
- E. OnabotulinumtoxinA immediately (any frequency)

EXPLANATION

Indications for prevention include ≥ 4 migraine days per month or disability. First-line options: propranolol, topiramate (titrate 25!50 mg BID), or amitriptyline. OnabotulinumtoxinA is for chronic migraine (≥ 15 days/month).

SAMPLE QUESTION 4

A 55-year-old asymptomatic man with no family history presents for routine care. He has never been screened for colorectal cancer.

What is the most appropriate screening recommendation?

- A. No screening needed

B. Annual FIT test

C. Colonoscopy every 10 years — Correct answer

D. CT colonography

E. Sigmoidoscopy only

EXPLANATION

Average-risk adults should begin colorectal cancer screening at age 45–50; colonoscopy every 10 years is a standard option.

SAMPLE QUESTION 5

A 39-year-old Saudi patient presents to the ER with signs consistent with colorectal cancer (surgical management). Imaging is inconclusive and the patient lives in a rural area with limited surgical backup. What is the most appropriate next step?

A. Transfer to tertiary care for further workup — Correct answer

B. Start empirical treatment and discharge with follow-up

C. Immediate bedside procedure under local anesthesia

D. Refer to gastroenterology outpatient

EXPLANATION

In the Saudi healthcare setting, timely referral to a tertiary center is critical when facilities are limited and surgical emergencies like colorectal cancer (surgical management) are suspected.

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