

CE Post Test

Hospitalist — A Clinical Specialty, an Administrative or Management Specialty, a Venue to Practice a Specialty, or a New Hospital Employee?

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CIRCLE THE BEST ANSWER:

1. **“Hospitalist” is defined by the Society of Hospital Medicine as which of the following?**
 - a. A physician who is trained in hospice care.
 - b. A physician who received training outside of the hospital setting.
 - c. A physician who specializes in the practice of hospital medicine.
 - d. A physician who admits patients to hospitals only.

2. **The Society of Hospital Medicine published a curriculum that outlines the core competencies for a hospitalist.**
 - a. True
 - b. False

3. **The hospitalists play an important role in promoting quality goals, patient safety goals and patient satisfaction scores.**
 - a. True
 - b. False

4. **What is potentially the greatest opportunity for the current hospitalist movement?**
 - a. Improving relationships with other members of the healthcare team.
 - b. Developing a time-efficient effective communication strategy.
 - c. Enhancing the doctor-patient relationship.
 - d. Integrating the electronic medical records in hospitals.

5. **In order for a Hospitalist Program to be effective, which of the following areas must be addressed?**
 - a. Effective mechanisms for patient hand-off must be established.
 - b. Hospitalists must act in direct collaboration with the hospital to meet quality goals, address patient safety issues, and promote patient satisfaction.
 - c. Hospitalists must be confident in their roles as “captain of the ship” and be willing to actively coordinate consultant care, communicate with patients and family members, and collaborate with utilization management.
 - d. Hospitalists must be dedicated to the “business” of inpatient care to assure that their documentation and coding accurately reflect the severity level of the patients to whom they are delivering care.
 - e. All of the above.

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