

## Assessing and Managing Pediatric Pain

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True or False 1. Managing pain can decrease healing time, length of stay, and health care costs.

True or False 2. Pain can build character.

True or False 3. Children can report pain accurately, especially if we use the right pain scale.

True or False 4. The goal of the comfort zone is to have access to safe, effective pain relief.

True or False 5. Our responsibilities are to completely avoid pain.

True or False 6. It's important to read the policy and procedure before administering pain meds.

True or False 7. Non-pharmacologic interventions are key to successful pain management.

True or False 8. Ensure appropriate monitoring is in place before administering any pain meds.

True or False 9. We cannot stop a procedure and re-evaluate a child's pain once it has started.

True or False 10. Parents are not involved in decisions about managing their child's pain.

True or False 11. It is not suggested to let the child choose the security object or distraction.

True or False 12. Child Life Specialists are trained to use age-appropriate pain relief techniques.

True or False 13. It is the goal of the nurse to access pain often.

True or False 14. A nurse can suggest an Acute Pain Service consult if pain is not well controlled.

True or False 15. The letter U in QUESTT stands for Understand their pain.

True or False 16. You should use the revised FLACC scale for infants and toddlers.

True or False 17. The Bieri faces pain scale is for children of 2 years of age.

True or False 18. The numeric rating (0-10) is usually used with children over 8 years old.

True or False 19. A comfort goal establishes how much pain is too much for a patient.

True or False 20. You should assess every hour for patients with high potential for pain.

True or False 21. When you intervene with pain meds, you need to assess before and after.

True or False 22. You should not intervene when the pain score is higher than the comfort goal.

True or False 23. Oral/enteral route is not preferable to the IV route if it is available.

True or False 24. IM injections for pain medications are prohibited unless no other route is available.

True or False 25. Opioids should be used along with (not instead of) non-opioids and non-pharmacological techniques.

## **Bonus:**

True or False Call the Acute Pain Service for inadequate pain control, unmanageable side effects, catheter or epidural site concerns, temperatures higher than 38 °C, any complaints of back pain or severe headaches.