

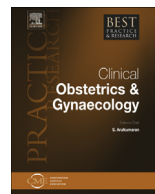


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1. Which of the following are appropriate regarding the definition “quality-adjusted life year” (QALY)?
 - a) It represents a disability-adjusted life year
 - b) It is used in low-income countries to evaluate interventions of disability/mortality
 - c) It equates to one year in perfect health
 - d) It can be used over a woman's lifetime as incremental cost effectiveness ratio (ICER)
 - e) It is the standard for return-on-investment calculations based on facts and not on models.
2. The following statement(s) is/are true about breastfeeding?
 - a) The American College for Obstetrics and Gynecology recommends breastfeeding for 3 months and then to switch to breast-milk substitutes to allow working mothers more flexibility.
 - b) Long periods of breastfeeding in the US cause > \$500 billion costs/year to compensate for lost working hours.
 - c) Breastfeeding for 6 months or longer is only advised for low-income countries where other substitutes are not available.
 - d) In mothers, breastfeeding rates >3 months result in decreasing rates of breast cancer, hypertension, myocardial infarction, diabetes and early death.
 - e) In children, breastfeeding of >3 months can reduce respiratory problems and asthma, necrotizing enterocolitis, infections, sudden infant death, and leukemia.
3. Key sources of avoidable research waste were identified as a cumulative effect and contributed to how much of biomedical research investment?
 - a) 10%
 - b) 25%
 - c) 50%
 - d) 75%
 - e) 85%
4. Which of the following is/are true regarding life sciences research?
 - a) In 2010, worldwide expenditure on life sciences research was around \$500 billion
 - b) In the US about \$70 billion was spent in commercial research
 - c) In the US about \$40 billion was spent in public and non-profit funding research
 - d) In the US >5% of US health-care expenditure was in life sciences research
 - e) Worldwide avoidable research waste equates to around \$200 billion

5. Which of the following features related to institutional health care is/are true?
 - a) The implementation of the WHO's strategy for hand hygiene was most effective in high-income compared to low-income countries.
 - b) Increasing efforts for trained personnel, surveillance cultures, hand disinfection alcohol, and adherence to dress codes to fight against the increasing colonization rates with multi-drug resistant organisms produce increasing costs for perinatal centres which impair cost-effectiveness or risk-benefit ratios.
 - c) The problem of institutions employing physicians in their human resource management is that institutions (and their managers) cannot be audited.
 - d) Five choosing wisely criteria (e.g. by the SMFM) define per year what obstetricians should preferably do as standard procedures.
 - e) The management system is responsible for approximately 85% of unintended consequences of mistakes.

6. The women's-rights-based reductionist approach to obstetric ethics is based on which of the following?
 - a) The ethical principle of beneficence
 - b) The ethical principle of respect for patient autonomy
 - c) The moral status of the fetus
 - d) Applicable law
 - e) Professional integrity

7. The professional responsibility model of obstetric ethics is based on a number of ethical considerations, including which of the following?
 - a) Respect for the autonomy of the pregnant woman
 - b) Respect for the autonomy of the fetus
 - c) Beneficence-based obligations to the fetal patient
 - d) Beneficence-based obligations to the pregnant patient
 - e) Fetal rights

8. In which of the following ways should an obstetrician respond to a request for non-indicated caesarean delivery?
 - a) With shared decision making in all cases
 - b) By recommending against caesarean delivery
 - c) By routinely implementing such requests
 - d) By implementing such requests only after a very deliberative decision-making process
 - e) By requesting an ethics consultation

9. Shared decision making is appropriate when there is a previous caesarean delivery in which of the following situations?
 - a) One previous low transverse incision
 - b) Two previous low transverse incisions
 - c) Three previous low transverse incisions
 - d) One previous classical incision
 - e) Two previous classical incisions

10. The ethical concept of the fetus as a patient is based on which of the following?
 - a) The rights of the fetus
 - b) Autonomy-based obligations to the pregnant woman
 - c) Autonomy-based obligations to the fetus
 - d) Beneficence-based obligations to the pregnant woman
 - e) Beneficence-based obligations to the fetus.

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