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**Please note: The change in CPD question format comes from the accreditation bodies, who have informed us that CPD questionnaires must consist of a minimum of 5 questions, 80% of which should be MCQs with a minimum of 4 options and only 20% of which may now be in the form of 'True or false' answers.**

**MCQs may be of 'single correct answer' or 'multiple correct answer' format. Where the question states that more than one answer is correct, mark more than one of a, b, c or d (anything from two to all answers may be correct). For example, in Question 2, if you think that a, b and c are correct (note that these are not necessarily the correct answers), mark each of these on the answer form. Where the question states that only one answer is correct, mark the single answer that you think is correct.**

**1. Autoimmune encephalitis: Epidemiology, pathophysiology and clinical spectrum (part 2)**

Regarding autoimmune encephalitis (AE) (more than one answer is correct):

- The clinical presentation of AE always corresponds to criteria of a clinical picture of an encephalopathy characterised by an altered mental state, and evidence of inflammation.
- Patients with AE may present without a reduced level of consciousness.
- Anti-NMDA receptor encephalitis is the most frequent AE and often manifests with a typical sequence of symptoms.
- All patients presenting with an encephalitis picture should undergo neuroimaging, initially mainly to exclude other causes for the symptoms, such as hydrocephalus or brain tumours.

**2. The state of kidney replacement therapy in the Eastern Cape Province of South Africa: A call to action**

Answer true or false:

In South Africa (SA), selection for kidney replacement therapy is not based on suitability for kidney transplantation.

**3. The leading causes of medicolegal claims and possible solutions**

Regarding medicolegal claims (more than one answer is correct):

- Medicolegal claims, normally meaning claims based on instances of medical negligence or malpractice, have markedly increased in the SA health sector since 2007.
- In medicolegal terms, contingent liability refers to a loss that may occur in the future.
- The observed increase in medicolegal claims is peculiar to SA.
- Medicolegal scholars and the SA Law Reform Commission have concluded that no one cause can be singled out, and that the rise in medicolegal claims is due to a range of factors.

**4. The incidence and outcomes of high-risk acute coronary syndromes in the Western Cape Province of South Africa: A prospective cohort study**

Regarding acute coronary syndromes (more than one answer is correct):

- South Africa still has one of the highest burdens of TB in the world.
- Acute coronary syndrome, particularly ST-elevation myocardial infarctions and high-risk non-ST-elevation acute coronary syndrome, is a major contributor to the mortality rate associated with ischaemic heart disease.
- Protocolised management of acute coronary syndromes, and in particular patients with ST-elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI), has not been shown to improve patient outcomes.
- In this study, smoking was more prevalent (70%) compared with developed world cohorts (40 - 50%) and other cohorts from sub Saharan Africa (20%).

**5. Barriers affecting COVID-19 vaccination in Phalombe District, Malawi: A qualitative study**

Regarding barriers to COVID-19 vaccination (more than one answer is correct):

- In Malawi, just over 1 million people out of a national target population of 13.5 million had received at least one dose of the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccination by 26 December 2021.
- Studies have suggested that the COVID-19 vaccine is verbally accepted more in high-income countries than in low- to middle-income countries.
- The government of Malawi prioritised its first shipment of AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine for people deemed at high risk of contracting COVID-19.
- In this study, participants believed vaccine misinformation being circulated on social media, including the vaccine causing possible infertility.

**Readers please note:** Articles may appear in summary/abstract form in the print edition of the Journal, with the full article available online at [www.samj.org.za](http://www.samj.org.za)

**A maximum of 3 CEUs will be awarded per correctly completed test.**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Read the journal. All the answers will be found there, in print or online.
- Go to [www.mpconsulting.co.za](http://www.mpconsulting.co.za) to answer the questions.

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