



## Volunteer Services

### EMTALA: What You Need to Know Post-test

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- 1) EMTALA stipulates that:
  - a) Hospitals must cure every patient who presents
  - b) Hospitals may manage their capacity by directing patients to other facilities
  - c) Any person who presents stating they have an emergency medical condition will be given a medical screening exam by a qualified medical provider
  - d) If a hospital cannot care for a particular condition, such as a burn, they may immediately refer the patient to the correct facility before initiating care
  
- 2) At NHRMC, qualified medical providers are:
  - a) Any RN
  - b) ED RN's who have met the qualifications to be assigned to "point triage"
  - c) MD's, NP's or PA's
  - d) Specially trained screener RN's
  
- 3) A hospital's EMTALA obligation exists how far around the main campus buildings:
  - a) 250 yards
  - b) If the patient is not in the building, EMTALA has not triggered
  - c) 100 feet
  - d) EMTALA only gets triggered when the patient arrives at triage or by EMS
  
- 4) It is a very busy afternoon in the ED and wait times are long. A disgruntled patient approaches the triage nurse demanding to be seen immediately. Which of the following is the appropriate response:
  - a) "Let me check the tracking board. It may be quicker for you to be seen at one of our other ED's."
  - b) "There is an urgent care center within a couple of miles of here. Since you have insurance, you could go there."
  - c) "I am sorry for the wait. Do you feel that your condition has changed? I would be happy to complete another assessment."
  - d) "If you had a real emergency, we would have already had you in the back."

- 5) Please select ALL of the possible penalties for substantiated EMTALA violations:
- a) Terminating a hospital's participation in Medicare
  - b) \$50,000 fine for hospitals
  - c) Revocation of hospital's license
  - d) \$50,000 fine for physicians