HIPAA PRIVACY RULE QUIZ

1. When are you allowed to repeat private health information that you hear on the job?
   a. After you no longer volunteer/observe in the hospital.
   b. After the patient dies.
   c. Only if you know the patient won’t mind.
   d. Only when it’s necessary to do your job.

2. Your sister’s friend is having surgery at one of the local hospitals, but she is not sure which one. She wants you to send flowers, and she asks you to find out whether her friend is at your facility. What should you do?
   a. Tell your sister that you cannot find out for her, but that she can call the Information Desk and ask whether her friend is staying there.
   b. Search for the friend’s name in the computer database or computer printouts.
   c. Find a list of patients having surgery and look for the friend’s name.

3. You are assisting in your assigned area and find an open recycling bin full of paper. You can see names, addresses, and numbers on the paper. What should you do?
   a. Nothing. You can’t be sure the information has anything to do with patients.
   b. Show it to your supervisor in case the information is private patient information.
   c. Ask the staff that work there what the information is on the paper.
   d. None of the above.

4. What question should you ask yourself before looking at patient information?
   a. Would the patient mind if I looked at this?
   b. Do I need to know this to do my job?
   c. Can anyone see what I’m doing?
   d. Am I curious?

5. Health care workers and volunteers can go to jail for selling patient information.
   True or False?

6. Doctors are permitted to see all information about every patient.
   True or False?

7. Patient information should never be thrown away in an unlocked bin unless it has been shredded or destroyed.
   True or False?

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