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Chapter 26: Bowel Elimination

Student Assignment

Date: ______________ Name: _____________________________

MATCHING

Match each term with the correct definition.

a. Colostomy
b. Constipation
c. Diarrhea
d. Enema
e. Fecal impaction
f. Flatus
g. Fecal incontinence
h. Peristalsis
i. Flatulence
j. Ileostomy
k. Stool
l. Suppository

1. The introduction of fluid into the rectum and lower colon
2. A surgically created opening between the ileum and the abdominal wall
3. Gas or air passed through the anus
4. Excreted feces
5. A surgically created opening between the colon and the abdominal wall
6. The frequent passage of liquid stools
7. The alternating contraction and relaxation of intestinal muscles
8. The prolonged retention and buildup of feces in the rectum
9. The inability to control the passage of feces and gas through the anus
10. The passage of a hard, dry stool
11. The excessive formation of gas or air in the stomach and intestines
12. A cone-shaped, solid drug that is inserted into a body opening

COMPLETION

1. Bleeding in the stomach and small intestine causes ______________ or __________ stools.

2. Describe the role of diet in preventing constipation.

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3. How does fluid intake affect bowel elimination?


4. A resident has diarrhea. You need to:
   a. 
   b. 
   c. 

5. The person with fecal incontinence may need the following care measures:
   a. 
   b. 
   c. 
   d. 

6. If flatus is not expelled, the intestines distend. List four measures that often reduce flatus.
   a. 
   b. 
   c. 
   d. 

7. ______________________ stools drain constantly from an ileostomy.

8. The person with an ostomy can wear normal clothing. Why are tight garments avoided?
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