

1. A 77-year-old Hispanic Catholic Nun (retired) who immigrated to the United States 15 years ago lives alone but in an apartment complex where her sister lives as well. She is being discharged home after a hospitalization for congestive heart failure with prescriptions for 8 different medications. She is considered at risk for noncompliance due to the following contributing factors except:
  - Ethnic background
2. A 78-year-old patient who is dying of colon cancer with metastases to the liver is refusing to eat or drink. He is alert and oriented, and states that he has no desire to eat, which is causing the family great distress. In order to best address the client and family, you should:
  - Educate the family that this is normal behavior in this situation
3. A 79-year-old female client resides independently in the community. The client's daughter is concerned because her mother insists on wearing a sweater and keeps all of the windows closed even though it is 90 degrees Fahrenheit outside. The nurse practitioner initially recognizes that this behavior may be related to:
  - age-related neurosensory changes that diminish awareness of temperature changes
4. An 88-year-old, being admitted to rule out lung cancer, is assessed using the short form of the Geriatric Depression Scale tool. When it is determined that the earned score is 9, the nurse practitioner initially:
  - asks if they have any thoughts of committing suicide
5. The area in which nurse practitioners have the greatest effect on the safe, effective medication therapy of an older client is:
  - educating the client to all aspects of the medication.