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I. Care Continuum - 19%

- A. Breast health and screening
 - I. Breast anatomy and physiology (e.g., hormonal influence, breast development and changes)
 - 2. Benign conditions (e.g., mastodynia, fibroadenomas, infection, nipple discharge)
 - 3. Screening (e.g., imaging modalities and results)
 - 4. Clinical breast exam (e.g., breast awareness education, normal, abnormal)
 - 5. Considerations related to special populations
- B. Cancer risk assessment
 - I. Breast cancer risk prediction models (e.g., Tyrer-Cuzick, Breast Cancer Risk Assessment Tool [BCRAT])
 - 2. Risk Factors (e.g., modifiable, non-modifiable, high-risk lesions, epidemiology)
 - 3. Screening recommendations based on risk
 - 4. Genetic counseling and testing
 - 5. Risk reduction interventions (e.g., endocrine therapy, risk-reducing surgery, lifestyle behaviors)

C. Patient navigation process

- I. Advocacy and resources
- 2. Barriers to care (e.g., financial, health literacy, language, transportation)
- 3. Interprofessional collaboration

D. Surveillance and survivorship

- Psychosocial issues
- 2. Physical issues (e.g., lymphedema, bone health, neuropathy, cardiac)
- 3. Surveillance (e.g., imaging, symptom directed work-up, subsequent malignancies, declination of treatment)

II. Diagnosis and Staging - 21%

- A. Carcinogenesis
- B. Diagnostic evaluation
 - Imaging modalities
 - 2. Imaging results
 - 3. Biopsies (e.g., fine needle aspiration [FNA], core, surgical)

C. Pathology

- I. Prognostic features (e.g., type, grade, histology, lymphovascular invasion, extranodal extension, proliferation index)
- 2. Biomarkers (e.g., ER/PR, HER2)
- 3. Genomic testing

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D. Staging

- 1. Clinical
- 2. Pathologic
- 3. Additional studies (e.g., magnetic resonance imaging [MRI], bone scan, computed tomography [CT] scan, positron-emission tomography [PET])

III. Treatment Modalities and Considerations 24%

- A. Surgery
 - I. Breast (e.g., breast conservation, mastectomy)
 - 2. Axilla (e.g., sentinel lymph node biopsy, axillary lymph node dissection)
- B. Surgical reconstruction
 - Expander/Implant
 - 2. Autologous
 - 3. Oncoplastic procedures
- C. Radiation therapy (e.g., external beam, brachytherapy)
- D. Systemic (e.g., endocrine therapy, chemotherapy, bispecific antibodies)
- E. Considerations for specific conditions:
 - I. Triple-negative disease
 - 2. HER2-positive disease
 - 3. Inflammatory breast cancer
 - 4. Paget disease
 - 5. Phyllodes tumor (malignant and benign)
 - 6. Angiosarcoma
- F. Treatment consideration for special populations (e.g., gender and sexual minorities, male, young adult)

IV. Nursing Practice - 24%

- A. Symptom management and supportive care (e.g., assessment, risk factors, pathophysiology, prevention, education, management, and palliative care)
 - I. Surgical (e.g., lymphedema, wound complications, pain, decreased range of motion)
 - 2. Medical (e.g., myelosuppression, integumentary alterations, gastrointestinal complications, menopausal symptoms, cardiovascular alterations)
 - 3. Radiation (e.g., integumentary alterations, fatigue, cardiopulmonary)
 - 4. Complementary and integrative modalities (e.g., massage, acupuncture, Reiki therapy, nutrition)
 - 5. Rehabilitation (e.g., physical therapy, occupational therapy, pelvic floor)

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- B. Oncologic emergencies (i.e., anaphylaxis, extravasation, hypercalcemia, hypersensitivity, pleural effusion, sepsis, spinal cord compression, thromboembolic events)
- C. Professional practice (e.g., practice guidelines, shared decision-making, community outreach, legislative issues, accreditation standards)
- D. Clinical trials
- E. Self-care (e.g., managing compassion fatigue, burnout, substance use)

V. Psychosocial Dimensions of Care 12%

- A. Influence of culture, spirituality, sexual and gender identity, age, and healthcare disparities
- B. Family and caregiver dynamics
- C. Altered body image
- D. Reproductive and sexual health
- E. Psychosocial distress and management (e.g., coping, grief, survivorship guilt)
- F. Social determinants of health related to screening, diagnosis, treatment, and follow up