

**OCCUPATIONAL ENGLISH TEST**

**WRITING SUB-TEST: Nursing**

**TIME: READING: 5 MINUTES  
WRITING : 40 MINUTES**

Read the case notes below and complete the writing task which follows.

**Notes:**

You are a registered nurse working at The New Victoria Hospital. Your patient, Ms. Anna Dijana, is being discharged today.

**Patient:** Anna Dijana

**Age:** 42 year old

**Admitted:** 15th July 2018

**Discharge:** 25th July 2018

**Diagnosis:** R proximal tibia fracture & lateral tibial plateau fracture, Compartment syndrome

**Treatment:** External-Fixation, fasciotomies R lower leg

**Past medical history:** Seizures on Carbamazepine

**Medical Background:**

- On 15th July 2018, right knee pain after falling off stairs
- Unable to bear weight on R leg

**Social background:**

- School teacher, married with two children.
- Non-smoker, social drinker.

**Medical management and progress:**

- Pt was rushed to OR for two-incision (four-compartment) fasciotomies R lower leg
- PostOp > fractures stabilized w/ external fixator & fasciotomies performed
- Pain medications

**Nursing management and progress:**

- Wound vac on fasciotomy incisions
- The wound and drainage from the wound assessed for signs of infection

**Assessment:**

- Patient is free of infection.
- Wound is red in color, free of drainage, no odor or redness.
- No swelling or pain. Vital signs are normal.
- Patient is resting comfortably.

**Discharge plan:**

Patient teaching about the wound site, signs and symptoms of infection and to notify a nurse immediately if anything changes. teach the patient how to keep the area sterile by keeping blankets and clothing out of reach of the wound, resting the extremity, body part. Advising any visitors of the same factors. Teach the patient about the expected drainage.

**Writing Task:**

Using the information given in the case notes, write a letter of discharge to Ms. Cathy Ina, the community nurse at Baillieston Community Care, informing her about the patient's condition and her medical and nursing needs. Address your letter to Ms. Cathy Ina, Community Nurse, 6 Buchanan St, Glasgow G69 6DY, UK.

**In your answer:**

- **Expand the relevant notes into complete sentences**
- **Do not use note form**
- **Use letter format**

**The body of the letter should be approximately 180–200 words.**

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