Nursing Care Plan of Child with Cystic Fibrosis

Nursing Diagnosis	Expected patient outcomes		Nursing Interventions		Rationale
Ineffective airway clearance related to thick tenacious mucous	Child will maintain a patent airway	1.	Auscultate breath sounds every 2-4 hours	1.	Assess respiratory status
Objective and Subjective Data		2.	Assist child to cough and	2.	Promote airway clearance
Meconium ileus as newborn			expectorate mucous		·
Abdominal distention vomiting, failure to pass stoo, Is and development of dehydration		3.	Monitor respiratory pattern – rate and effort	3.	Monitor decrease viscosity of mucous & improved airway
Gastrointestinal					function
Large, bulky, loose, frothy stools (steatorrhea), increased appetite early in disease with loss of		4.	Provide nebulization	4.	To loosen secretions
appetite later, weight loss, tissue wasting, failure to grow, sallow skin, deficiency of fatsoluable vitamins		5.	Suction PRN	5.	To loosen secretions
Respiratory		6.	Perform chest physiotherapy	6.	To facilitate removal of mucous
Initial		7.	Teach child and family to use		
Wheezy respirations			bronchodilator medications	7.	Help loosen secretions and open airways
Dry, non-productive chronic cough		8.	Teach child and family to		open an ways
Later			administer mucolytic medications	8.	To liquefy secretions
Increased dyspnea, productive cough, areas of atelectasis, scarring of lung tissue, over-inflated barrel like chest, cyanosis, clubbing of fingers and toes, repeated episodes of bronchitis and bronchopneumonia, rhinitis, chronic sinusitis		9.	Teach child and family to assess airway status using peak flow meter	9.	

Endocrine Elevated serum glucose levels, development of cystic-fibrosis related diabetes			
Imbalanced Nutrition: Less than body requirements related to inability to digest nutrients and loss of appetite Objective and Subjective Data Immature developmental level for age Weight loss with adequate food intake steatorrhea Abdominal Cramping Hyperactive Bowel Sounds	Will exhibit signs of adequate digestion and appropriate height and weight for age	 Administer pancreatic enzymes with meals and snacks Teach child and family appropriate pancreatic enzyme administration Take with meals or snacks Capsules can be swallowed whole or opened and sprinkled on food, but not crushed or chewed. Encourage high protein diet Observe frequency and nature of stools Monitor child's physical development 	 Replacement enzymes are necessary for digestion to occur with cystic fibrosis To prevent destruction of enteric coating that results in inactivation of enzymes and excoriation of oral mucosa To promote optimal digestion To assess for potential nutritional problems and determine amount of replacement enzymes needed. If stools loose, require more replacement enzyme. To determine if meeting growth milestones for age

Knowledge deficit related to child and family unfamiliarity with chronic disease	Will be able to verbalize	Begin discharge planning as soon as possible	1. To begin transition to home
Unfamiliarity with chronic disease management Objective and Subjective Data Child does not take medications as ordered Child and family do not adhere to treatment plan Child and family verbalize lack of understanding of treatment plan	understanding of disease process Express understanding of	2.Assess for needed support systems3. Arrange for home health services to help provide care if possible	2. Aid in smooth transition to home with adequate support system in place3. To determine if adhering to
	infection control	4. Instruct on reporting effectiveness of treatments and medications to physician	medical regimen and provide support 4. Establish and encourage realistic expectation of activity
	understanding of Illness care	5. Involve child in self care6. Encourage child's involvement in school and sports	and energy level 5. Encourage health promotion 6 Encourage socialization with
	Verbalize and demonstrate knowledge of treatment procedures	7. Teach child to recognize symptoms of inadequate therapy, signs and symptoms of respiratory infections, and need for physician follow-up	7.Promotion of age appropriate activities Prevention of long-term consequences related to poor response to treatment
		8. Teach importance of setting realistic goals and expectations such as increasing activity level, school attendance or possible hospitalizations	8. Promotion of behaviors appropriate for age and to establish short-term goals that can be successfully met.