Module 1

I. Neuro-anatomy

Brain

Lobes

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Optic Tract

Brainstem

Corticospinal Tract

Somatosensory Pathway

Arterial Supply

II. Spinal Cord

Dorsal Column Pathway

Corticospinal Pathway

Arterial Supply:

Cord

Conus Medullaris

Cauda Equina

III. Peripheral Nerves

Brachial Plexus – Cutaneous Distribution - Dermatomes

Individual Nerves

Nerve Roots

IV. Vertebral Bodies

Canal, Nerve Root

Facets

Foramen

Pedicles

V. Muscles

Localization

Innervation

VI. Hip

Gluteal Nerves

Sciatic

Femoral

VII. Pelvis

Pudendal Nerve

Sacral Nerve Plexus

Module 1 Continued

VIII. Neuro-Science

Synaptic Transmission, Neurons

Compound Action Potentials

Temporal Dispersion

Polarity

Near Field/ Far Field Potentials

Neural Generators of Somatosensory Evoked Potentials

Neural Generators of Auditory Evoked Potentials

Neural Generators of Visual Evoked Potentials

IX. Neurophysiology

Cerebral Blood Flow

Mean Arterial Pressure

Cerebral Perfusion

Auto Regulation

Temperature Affects

Cerebral Electrical Activity

EEG Frequency

X. Instrumentation and Electrophysiologic Recordings;

Electrical

Resistors

Capacitors

Currents

Ohm's Law

Impedance- Electrodes, Properties of Metals

Amplifiers- Polarity/Sensitivity

Filters- High Band Pass/ Low Band Pass/ Notch Filter/Bandwidth

Signal to Noise Ratio

Signal Averaging

Artifact Rejection

Signal Characteristics- Amplitude/Frequency

Reduction of Stimulation Artifact

Quality Control of Responses

Module 2

XI. Patient Set Up:

EEG Montages- 10-20 System/Queen Square System

Amplitude

Sensitivity

Impedance

Calibration

Electrical Safety

Somatosensory Evoked Potentials

Auditory Evoked Potentials

Visual Evoked Potentials

Triggered EMG

Transcranial Motor Evoked Potentials

Cranial Nerve Monitoring

Peripheral Nerve Monitoring

Pudendal Nerve Monitoring

Sacral Nerve Monitoring

Hip Monitoring

Aneurysm Monitoring- Cerebral/Aortic

Carotid Monitoring

Acoustic Neuroma Monitoring

Central Sulcus Location Monitoring

XII. Anesthesia:

Synaptic Transmission- SSEPs/ TcMEPs/Spontaneous EMG

Specific Anesthetic Agents- Gas/ Narcotics/Benzodiazepines/Muscle relaxants

Bolus v Infusion

Definition of MAC

Effects on Blood Pressure/Body Temperature/Waveforms

Train of Four

XIII. ASET/ASNM Position Statements on Technologists in the Operating Room:

Somatosensory

EMG

EEG

BAER

XIV. Abnormal Responses/Artifact/Trouble Shooting/Intervention- Guidelines/Empirical

Somatosensory

EMG

EEG

BAER Module 2 Continued

XV. Pathology

XVI. Positioning of Patient/Concerns

XVII. Patient Safety/Universal Precautions

XVIII. Equipment/Programs

XIX. Surgical Procedures

XX. Telemonitoring
Document Storing
Data Processing
Pre-operative Conference with Interpreter

XXI. Benefits of Monitoring
Impact on Outcome- The Numbers
False Negatives/ False Positives
Risk Reduction with Procedure
Quality Assurance- Importance of Protocols
Pre-op Conference- Interview/ Exam/ Anesthesia
Correlate with Efficacy- Protocols and Efficacy
Team Approach and Efficacy
Record Review

Module 3

Working Independently- 150 Supervised Cases