- thalassemia. The nurse needs more information about this disease if she states which of the following? Select all that apply.
- a. "We need to check the patient's iron level to make sure he is not anemic."
- b. "I believe this is most common in those of Hispanic descent, although this patient is Mediterranean."
- c. "The doctor will be prescribing deferasirox (Exjade) or deferoxamine (Desferal) for chelation therapy."
- d. "This patient looks much younger than I would expect. I guess he's just a late bloomer."
- e. "I think a transfusion will be ordered, because his hemoglobin level is 9.0."
- 4. Which is the most accurate genetic explanation for a family with hemophilia?
 - a. It is a Y-linked dominant disorder.
 - b. It is equally distributed among males and females.
 - c. It is an X-linked recessive disorder.
 - d. It is an autosomal recessive disorder.
- 5. You are discharging a patient with hemophilia. Which of the following responses by the parents indicate an understanding of this disorder? Select all that apply.
 - a. "My child should remain active to decrease joint problems, and most children with hemophilia can participate in the same activities as peers."
 - b. "Care should be taken to avoid bleeding of gums, and softening the toothbrush in warm water before brushing or using a sponge-tipped disposable toothbrush may be helpful."
 - c. "Signs of internal bleeding should be recognized, such as headache, slurred speech, loss of consciousness (from cerebral bleeding), and black, tarry stools (from gastrointestinal bleeding)."
 - d. "If there is bleeding in a joint, elevation, ice, and rest should help and may prevent the need for factor VIII replacement."
 - e. "All of my son's teachers need to be aware of what to do if he gets a bloody nose."