

# General medical care of the patient with rheumatic disease

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## Nursing Process: The Patient With a Rheumatic Disease

Arthritis is a group of more than 100 different diseases. For example, the patient who is recovering from coronary artery surgery may have been instructed to exercise but is unable or only partially able to do so because of the rheumatic disease. This doctor has special training in general internal medicine, family practice, or another first-level-of-care area.

## Rheumatic Heart Disease

If the patient cannot actively exercise the joints, passive range of motion should be performed.

## Nursing Process: The Patient With a Rheumatic Disease

Because the pain may be persistent, nonopioid analgesics such as acetaminophen are often used. Patients with chronic disorders often neglect general health issues if they are focused on their chronic disorder; therefore, the patient and family should be reminded about the importance of participating in other health promotion activities and health screening eg, immunizations, cholesterol screening, bone density testing, gynecologic examinations, mammography, colonoscopy. Small sensors are taped to your skin to pick up the electrical activity.

## Critical care of the pediatric patient with rheumatic disease

This may take years to develop and can result in heart failure. Many also have a master's degree.

## Critical care of the pediatric patient with rheumatic disease

The nature and extent of the preoperative evaluation of the patient depends on such factors as age, functional capacity, existing comorbidity, the type of anesthesia, and the type of surgery to be performed. Conversely, treatment of the primary condition may cause or increase problems related to the rheumatic disease.

## **Nursing Process: The Patient With a Rheumatic Disease**

Immunomodulatory chronic illnesses may increase the risk of surgical infections.

### **Critical care of the pediatric patient with rheumatic disease**

However, some general guidelines as given here can provide a useful framework for such evaluations.

#### **Rheumatic Heart Disease**

More frequent use for shorter lengths of time is most beneficial. . Arthritis and rheumatic diseases can affect anyone, at any age, or of any race.

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