California Law & Ethics

1) The core values of social work include all except
   a) Service  
   b) Social Justice  
   c) Beneficence  
   d) Competence

2) The “Statutes and Regulations Relating to the Practice of Marriage and Family Therapy, Educational Psychology, and Clinical Social Work” was developed by the
   a) Association of Therapy Boards  
   b) National Institute of Mental Health  
   c) California Therapy Consortium  
   d) California Board of Behavioral Sciences

3) MFT applicants licensed after 2004 must have additional coursework in
   a) aging and long-term care  
   b) pain management  
   c) carbon credits  
   d) medical errors

4) Clinical social work applicants must have specific training in all the following except
   a) alcoholism and other chemical substance dependency  
   b) spousal or partner abuse  
   c) personality testing  
   d) human sexuality

5) The NASW Code of Ethics states that social workers should protect the confidentiality of all information obtained in the course of professional service except for compelling professional reasons.
   a) True  
   b) False

6) Under California law, the primary exceptions to confidentiality concern
   a) the age of the patient  
   b) the service setting  
   c) whether there is a court order for the information  
   d) harm to self or others

7) California Evidence Code 1024 addresses situations where _____ do/does not apply.
   a) privileged communication  
   b) parental rights  
   c) informed consent  
   d) dress codes
8) In group therapy, the mental health provider must guarantee that group members will keep information confidential.
   a) True
   b) False

9) The legal right of keeping clinical records confidential which established by the CA Evidence Code 1014 is known as
   a) privacy
   b) privilege
   c) reclusion
   d) occlusion

10) If a provider receives a subpoena from an attorney to provide copies of clinical records, he or she may claim privilege on behalf of the client.
    a) True
    b) False

11) The California Family Code 6924 states that a minor who is _____ years of age or older may consent to mental health treatment if certain requirements are met.
    a) 10
    b) 12
    c) 14
    d) 16

12) Minors are able to consent to psychotropic medications without parental consent.
    a) True
    b) False

13) Mental health providers may not disclose medical records without the written consent of the minor patient.
    a) True
    b) False

14) The first child abuse and reporting law was enacted in California in
    a) 1963
    b) 1968
    c) 1973
    d) 1978

15) After a mental health professional reports abuse, they must prepare a written report within _____ hours of the initial report.
    a) 6
    b) 12
    c) 24
    d) 36
16) Which allows California counties to decide whether to implement a community-based, court-monitored outpatient treatment program?
   a) Laura's Law
   b) Amy's Law
   c) Megan's Law
   d) Amber's Law

17) Which is not a criteria for placing a person in assisted outpatient treatment?
   a) has a co-occurring addictive illness
   b) is eighteen years of age or older
   c) is suffering from a mental illness
   d) is unlikely to survive safely in the community without supervision

18) Only the _____ may file a petition for assisted outpatient treatment.
   a) county mental health director
   b) county attorney
   c) family members
   d) mental health provider

19) Which is not a component of HIPAA?
   a) portability standards
   b) privacy standards
   c) security standards
   d) interstate standards

20) Any information about health status, provision of health care, or payment for health care that can be connected to a person is known as
   a) electronic health information
   b) personal health information
   c) medical health information
   d) protected health information

21) The patient record includes all of the following except
   a) diagnosis
   b) therapist’s impressions
   c) treatment plan
   d) records of any testing

22) Under HIPAA law, patients cannot access psychotherapy notes.
   a) True
   b) False

23) The document which providers must provide to clients which details client rights involving release of information is the
   a) Release of Information Form
   b) Notice of Privacy Practices
   c) Demographic Information Form
   d) Dispersion of Information Checklist
24) A 1976 rehearing of the Tarasoff case called for a _____ the intended victim.
   a) duty to warn
   b) duty to protect
   c) duty to treat
   d) duty to compensate

25) In the Ewing case, the court requires to take into consideration information from _____ in deciding whether to notify intended victims.
   a) journals
   b) unconscious material
   c) family members
   d) social networking sites

26) Which of the four areas of competence mentioned by Knapp and VandeCreek (2012) do they view as key?
   a) emotional competence
   b) technical knowledge
   c) social skills
   d) diversity competence

27) All the following were mentioned by Saldana (2001) as components in developing cultural competence except
   a) knowledge
   b) guided experience
   c) professional skills
   d) personal attributes

28) Knapp and VandeCreek (2012) refer to informed consent as
   a) common-sense permission
   b) priming the pump
   c) ringing the doorbell
   d) empowered collaboration

29) Which is a consumer watchdog agency which has provided a definition of informed consent?
   a) Consumer Reports
   b) California Patient’s Guide
   c) California Public Interest Research Counsel
   d) The Patient’s Friend

30) Informed consent should include
   a) approximate length of the process
   b) alternatives to therapy
   c) processes if bills are not paid
   d) all the above
31) Which was mentioned as an example of a dual relationship?
   a) counseling someone previously known to the therapist
   b) counseling a family member
   c) entering a business relationship with a client
   d) all the above

32) In California, sexual contact is illegal within _____ after therapy is terminated
   a) 6 months
   b) 1 year
   c) 2 years
   d) 5 years

33) Kenneth Pope found that harm occurred in at least _____ of the instances in which therapists engaged in sex with a patient after termination.
   a) 20%
   b) 40%
   c) 60%
   d) 80%

34) Any therapist in California who learns from a patient that the patient has had a sexual relationship with a psychotherapist during treatment is legally obligated to give the patient the brochure “Professional Therapy Never Includes Sex”.
   a) True
   b) False

35) California providers of online psychotherapy are bound by the same legal and ethical mandates as those providing more traditional means of therapy.
   a) True
   b) False

36) The California Mental Health Parity Law applies to all of the following EXCEPT
   a) Schizophrenia
   b) Personality disorders
   c) Major depressive disorders
   d) Panic disorder