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Question:

Obstetrical

Type:

Urgent

Author:

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Opening Scenario:

28 year old woman with placenta previa and second episode of bleeding per vagina. Obstetrician wants C-section.

Major points of additional information to be provided to the candidate, e.g., hx, px, labs, x-ray, consults:

- No labour
- G, Po Gestation 36 weeks
- Otherwise well
- Wants epidural
- Incision may go through placenta

Major decision points (major decision points or options which must be recognized by the candidate)

- Regional vs. General Anaesthetic
- Monitors & IV access
- Blood
- Neonatologist

Any followup information required to lead to the end of the question

- If regional - ↓ B.P., haemorrhage
- If G.A. - ↓ B.P., haemorrhage
- 4 lit EBL, hematological management

Critical features to be included i.e. the *must* have to pass the question or to be considered *completely* unacceptable

- Potential for massive haemorrhage
- Management of haemorrhage
- Neonatal help

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