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Rehabilitation Outcome of a Patient with Cesarean Delivery during a Cardiac Arrest due to COVID-19 Respiratory Failure



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Case Description:

- 27-year-old previously healthy pregnant African American woman (G1PO at 26 weeks) was admitted to the hospital for COVID-19 pneumonia.
- Developed respiratory failure resulting in Intubation, complicated by 2 cardiac arrests-
- Underwent Emergency C-section with viable delivery.
- 5-week hospital course complicated by postpartum hypertension before stabilized for Acute rehabilitation.
- On initial evaluation, patient had intact cognitive function, generalized weakness, and decreased activity tolerance..
- Mobility and ADLs performed with modified independence but required minimum assistance for stairs.
- Discharged after 4 days.

Discussion:

- This is a unique case of a young pregnant woman who was otherwise healthy who required intensive care for severe COVID-19 complications.
- Did not have typical risk factors such as older age, prior medical conditions.
- Despite lengthy, complex hospital course, she was high functioning without residual cognitive impairments.
- Monitored hypertension during therapy.
 Educated on energy conservation and safety strategies.

Conclusion:

- A Short inpatient rehabilitation course can be beneficial even for complex and prolonged COVID-19 hospitalizations. She discharged at a high functional level.
- Our pregnant patient managed to have a successful delivery in an emergent setting.

Severe COVID-19 illness can occur without common risk

factors. A Good Functional

Outcome is Possible for

Complex hospitalizations.





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Discharge Functional Status:

Bed Mobility: Independent.

Transfer Sit to Stand Rehab: Modified

Independent

Transfer Stand to Sit Rehab: Modified

Independent

Ambulation: Supervision

Stairs Rehab: Minimal assistance
Upper Extremity Dressing Level:

Supervision

Lower Extremity Dressing Level:

Supervision

Grooming Level: Contact guard
Toileting Level: Supervision
Bathing Level: Supervision
LE Bathing Level: Supervision
Shower Transfer Level: Supervision

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