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Obstetric haemorrhage is the leading cause of maternal death. (False)

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Approximately 50% of obstetric haemorrhagic deaths are attributable to severe bleeding at caesarean section. (True)

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The findings of the National Committee on Confidential Enquiries into Maternal Death are that over 80% of maternal deaths were “clearly avoidable”. (True)

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The extended 2 year internship currently undertaken by medical graduates incorporates a 4 month long Obstetrics and Gynaecology rotation. (True)

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Childbirth by caesarean section is associated with a reduced risk of mortality and morbidity when compared with vaginal delivery. (False)

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Immuno-competent hosts are not at risk of CNS infection by the measles virus. (False)

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Subacute Measles Encephalitis (SME) is an opportunistic infection occurring 1-7 months after acute measles in the context of AIDS. (True)

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SME typically presents with seizures and altered mental status. (True)

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Recent surveys of cancer deaths worldwide show a steady decline in those attributable to lung cancer. (False)

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Adenocarcinoma of the lung has replaced squamous cell carcinoma as the most common histological type. (True)

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Drug-drug toxic interactions occur as a result of competition for the same renal tubular cytochrome enzyme system involved in drug metabolism. (False)

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Excessively high dosages of lopinovir/ritonovir administered to children in combined capsule formulation lead to diarrhoea, nausea and vomiting. (True)

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*E.coli* remains the most common pathogen causing both uncomplicated and complicated urinary tract infection in the community. (True)

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Current microbiological surveillance confirms *E. coli’s* susceptibility to trimethoprim-sulphamethoxazole as first-choice empiric therapy. (False)

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A high prevalence of multi-drug resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* nasal carriage has been found among immuno-compromised patients co-infected with HIV and TB. (True)

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Surveys carried out in South Africa and neighbouring countries show that prevalence of drug-resistant HIV mutations in ARV-naive HIV infected individuals is low. (True)

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A Tanzanian study of stroke reveals that haemorrhagic stroke can reliably be distinguished from ischaemic stroke at the bedside using a clinical diagnostic tool such as the Allan score (developed for the purpose at Guys Hospital, London). (False)

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In the setting of socio-economic disadvantage (a Cape Town based study has shown that) mortality is directly linked to the need for naso-gastric feeding following discharge home. (True)

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Death following stroke is strongly attributable to pulmonary embolus. (False)

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Common drug errors in anaesthesia include inadvertent substitution of suxamethonium for fentanyl

and inadvertent administration of adrenaline for atropine.(True)

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