

Nursing Ethics

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Silver Spring, MD: Author

1	Serve with compassion and respect for the inherent dignity, worth, and unique attributes of every person.
2	Primary commitment is to the patient, whether an individual, family, group, community, or population.
3	Promote, advocate and protect the rights, health, and safety of the patient.
4	The nurse has authority, accountability and responsibility for nursing practice; makes decisions; and takes action consistent with the obligation to provide optimal patient care.
5	Owe the same duties to self as to others, including the responsibility to promote health and safety, preserve wholeness of character and integrity, maintain competence, and continue personal and professional growth.
6	The nurse, through individual and collective effort, establishes, maintains, and improves the ethical environment of the work setting and conditions of employment that are conducive to safe, quality health care.
7	The nurse, in all roles and settings, advances the profession through research and scholarly inquiry, professional standards development, and the generation of both nursing and health policy.
8	The nurse collaborates with other health professionals and the public to protect human rights, promote health diplomacy, and reduce health disparities.
9	The profession of nursing, collectively through its professional organizations, must articulate nursing values, maintain the integrity of the profession, and integrate principles of social justice into nursing and health policy.

Nursing Global Obligation

https://www.icn.ch/sites/default/files/inline-files/E10_Nurses_Human_Rights%281%29.pdf

1	All human rights are interdependent and indivisible and that individuals' health and wellbeing can be harmed when their human rights in any category are violated.
2	Safeguard, respect & actively promote health rights at all times in all places
3	Ensure provision of adequate and ethical care within resources available
4	Ensure patient receives appropriate information and education in understandable language prior to giving consent.
5	The use of coercion and/or manipulation to obtain consent is unethical and violation of human rights and professional codes of conduct.
6	Nurses have autonomy and are accountable for their own actions/inactions in safeguarding human rights.

Nursing Principles in Christ-centered Care

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1	The nurse is “called” to the nursing profession and offers focused, dynamic care, guided by the Holy Spirit reflecting the character of Christ.
2	Metaparadigm consist of all within the nurse’s scope of influence. The environment is the spiritual and physical environment where the agape love of Christ is reflected. Health is the connection to the spiritual, emotional relational and physical well-being of those who receive Christ-centered care. Nursing is the provider of care to all mankind, reflecting the presence and character of Christ.
3	Nurse continues spiritual and professional growth.
4	Nurse utilizes prayer, spiritual gifts and is led in all situations by the supernatural influence of the Holy Spirit.
5	Nurse reflects Fruit of the Spirit at the point of care; love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness and self-control.
6	Nurse is respectful of all cultural differences and worldviews by offering the highest level of excellence in all acts, attitudes, behaviors, thoughts and deeds.

General Nursing Principles of Christian Excellence

<https://cmda.org/position-statements>

1	We will do no harm to our patients by acts of either omission or commission.
2	We are dedicated to the prevention and relief of human pain and suffering.
3	We hold all human life to be sacred as created in God's image.
4	We respect the confidentiality of all communications exchanged with our patients.
5	We affirm the standard of honesty in all circumstances.
6	We believe that our patients have the right to be carefully taught about all aspects of their disease and treatment so that they may give consent that is properly informed.
7	We pursue excellence in dentistry and medicine through advancement of research and education.
8	Because we follow the example of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who came to earth "not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life," we are dedicated to the service of all persons regardless of the state of their economic resources or the nature of their illness. In circumstances where their care is beyond our own resources, we will intervene on their behalf as advocates of adequate care.

Medication Use

<http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19017en/s19017en.pdf>

1	Work with host country regarding distribution. All costs should be paid for by the donating agency.
2	No returned, partially-used, samples or out dated medications should be used.
3	Medications must have a shelf life of at least one year.
4	Medications should be listed on the WHO Model Lists of Essential Medicines.
5	All meds are to be labeled in a language understandable in the host country with International Nonproprietary Name or generic name, batch number, dosage, strength, quantity as commonly used in the host country.
6	All medications must be of acceptable quality.
7	Pre-arrange with host country donation of remaining medications and supplies following completion of medical clinic.
8	Refer to WHO Guidelines for Medicine Donations.

Hand Hygiene, Standard, Universal, Respiratory, Airborne and Droplet and Isolation Precautions

<https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/guidelines/isolation/index.html>