

BEEBE HEALTHCARE
Margaret H. Rollins School of Nursing
Nursing 102 - Nursing Care of Adults

1. What characteristics of a professional nurse did Mandy demonstrate when asked to attend a hospital committee meeting on a day off?

Mandy agreed to attend the committee meeting, despite it being her day off. She responded kindly with a smile, and did not exhibit any frustration. She also did not make any rude

a. Would you be willing to come to work for a meeting on a day off? Why or why not?
Yes, I would attend the meeting on my day off. It is my responsibility as a professional nurse to attend all meetings, when requested, to ensure that I am a safe, practicing nurse. Comments regarding the fact that the unit was understaffed.

2. What is the purpose of the ANA Code of Ethics?

It is a tool to guide nurses as they make pt. care + practice decisions

- It outlines ethical obligations + responsibilities of nurses
- It promotes advocacy + responsibility
- It guides delegation to other members of the care team

3. What provisions within the Code of Ethics did Mandy demonstrate?

- Collaboration with fellow nurses and UAP's
- Therapeutic communication
- Advocates for the pt.

Demonstration of her commitment to her employer + position (attending the meeting)

4. Why did Mandy talk with Richard (assistive personnel) about the vital signs not being within reference range for Ms. Kelly?

Because the AP should have notified her about the out-of-range findings. Also to communicate that she would be reassessing the pt's VS to ensure that there isn't a significant change in status.

a. What elements of professionalism did Mandy demonstrate regarding the

reevaluation of Ms. Kelly's vital signs?

She communicated to Richard that the VS were not WNL. She notified him that she would be re-evaluating. She spoke kindly, and did not say anything negative about his lack of reporting.

5. What provisions within the Code of Ethics did Mandy demonstrate when communicating

with Richard?

- Provision 4 → Accountability + delegation
- Provision 8 → Collaborates with other health professionals
- Provision 2 → Commitment to the pt.

6. What behaviors are essential to demonstrate professionalism?

- Advocating for pt's across the care team
- Therapeutic / effective communication
- Collaboration with all members of the care team
- Maintaining professional identity + adhering to occupational obligations

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7. What is the purpose of attending continuing education in nursing?

To ensure that as a nurse, you are current on the latest EBP recommendations in delivering care. This ensures that patients are receiving the highest quality care. Meeting licensure requirements also ensures that you are a safe, competent practicing RN.

8. Is it essential for a nurse to continually attend formal nursing education?

Yes. Not only is it required to remain licensed, but it also ensures that you are delivering safe, exceptional pt. care. It also shows your employer that you are a committed health professional, allowing them to depend on you + consider career advancement.

→ #1 → Ensures you are SAFE to practice