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Listening to the speaker today was an interesting one. He brought up some good points as far as things we should question and really think about when it comes to the career as a nurse. Not only is this a career we choose to do professionally, where we go to work and do the job. There is a social tie to the job as well. We are expected as nurses to stop at an accident and help. We are expected to do the Heimlich maneuver on someone who is choking in a restaurant. It is a social agreement just as it is a professional one. I guess its something you think about, but don't think you are necessarily obligated to do. Now that 9ii think about it, who else is going to jump in if its not use. The ones who are trained in saving lives. I found this point a very interesting one that I haven't thought about too much.

Another one of his points that I thought was a good one, was how the industrial generation is on the way to retirement as the technological age generation is coming fourth. A big shift in the profession is soon to happen. He talked about a little bit how the traditional idea of hospital is expanding into multiple smaller, private practices. We can do a lot with the technology we have today. He also talked about how standardized care is shifting into individualized care for each patient. This new age is going to need to have a more open mind and be able to adapt to what is new and coming. I find that pretty fascinating. I never really thought about the idea of the practice morphing to fit more into today's society and technology, but today made me think that way. There is more change to come, and that excites me.

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