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A current ethical issue related to nursing would be inadequate resources and staffing. Being short staffed for a brief period of time is common in most professions and those situations it's a minor inconvenience, but in nursing inadequate staffing can be a matter of life and death. With increasing aging population, increased patient complexity and need and an aging workforce places stress on working conditions for nurses and affects patient care and overall outcome. As it is stated in ANA ethics code six. 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 healthcare. This is stating that nurses with high moral virtue possess attributes such as courage, honesty, and patience. These virtues are what promote well being in patients. We are responsible for creating, maintaining, contributing environments that support the growth of moral virtue. These include working conditions and policy and procedures which outline the expectations of the nurse. When nurses feel their work environment is fair and that high standards of care are supported, they are more likely to realize the value of the nursing profession and act accordingly (Faubion, 2023). It is critical that nurses that accepting inappropriate or unsafe nursing practice is the same as condoning the practice even if the nurse isn't participating in the questionable practice. A nurse should not remain in a facility or practice that violates the rights of patients or other nurses. It is the nurses duty and obligation to be upfront with patients and the severity of their condition in retrospect to what their families feels they should know. It is their right. Be honest in your work and don't be afraid to speak out against practices and organizations that you know are doing harm to others.

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