

Nursing Philosophy

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Introduction

Being a professional, can mean something different for each person you ask. Some may see being a professional as a man who goes to work each day in a suit holding a briefcase, a woman in a military uniform standing at attention, or even a man or woman dressed in scrubs heading to the hospital to take care of sick patients. The dictionary states that to be a professional it is “characterized by or conforming to the technical or ethical standards of a profession” (Merriam-Webster). When it comes to seeing a professional it has more to do with how a person acts towards their job rather than what job a person has. People need to attend their job every day with good ethics and think about the best way to fulfill the job at hand in a professional manner. No matter what job a person has there is always a chance and a need to be professional. The purpose of this paper will be about how professionalism relates the the nursing career.

To be a nurse one must take their job serious and professional at all times. Nurses are not just on the job when they put on their uniforms or scrubs, but they are trained and taught to be ready to help people at whenever needed. A part of being professional is knowing how to act in certain situations. Whether they are at work or on the street in their uniforms they have to know how to conduct themselves in a professional manner. They must also be professional with how they look. Nurses can not come onto the job or be in the workplace with ragid scrubs or messy hair. It is important to look their best so their patients feel like they are going to be taken care of. Not only do they need to look the part of being professional, but they need to act it as well. Being professional has much to do with how people talk to one another or their clients. Nurses must use therapeutic communication at all times. This will help them gain the trust of their patients so they can give them the best care they need.

In the year 2025, I will be in a spot in my life where I feel like I have finally reached my goals of getting through school and meeting my dreams of being the nurse I have always wanted to be. In 2018 I started this journey by getting accepted into Lakeview College of Nursing. In 2020 I graduated from LCN with my bachelors in nursing. Right out of college I started looking for jobs at my local hospital and doctors offices. I even went as far as searching for jobs out of town since I knew there were so many opportunities for nurses out there. I decided to stay near my home and work so that I can continue my education of getting my masters degree. In 2023 I graduated with my masters in nursing and began my career as a nurse practitioner. Now, in the year 2025, I have a couple years of experience under my belt working in a doctors office. It is great to look back on all the hard work I have done to get through this journey and knowing it was all worth it.

Conclusion

“A nurse is not what you do, it is who your are..” (Nurse Buff). Nursing is not just a career title, it can be a lifestyle when it comes to the right person. Being a professional has much to do with how the nurse acts toward his or her patients. Nurses should take their jobs seriously and be professional at all times. Being a professional nurse means taking care of their patients in a professional manner and having good ethics on how to fulfill the standards brought to them by the nursing career.

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