

Reflection on Alliance University Conceptual Framework

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The conceptual framework of Nyack College's critical values for a successful profession as a nurse. After examining Nyack College's conceptual framework, I find it incredibly insightful and covers the all-around aspects of the nursing profession. The conceptual framework consists of key values propagated in Nyack College that include Godly living, cultural competence, diligent service, and environmental consciousness, among other values (Nyack, 2021). The conceptual framework is anchored on the strong foundation and Christian principles rooted in the Christian faith, which are well-illustrated in the college's vision, mission, and philosophy. This paper analyzes the molding of a professional nurse through Nyack College's strong Christian principles.

The goal and objectives of nursing are attained through the implementation of the conceptual framework. The training and educative nursing experience imparted by the nurses in Nyack College help the relevant individuals in the performance of duties and activities that help contribute to better health objectives for other people. The diverse role of a nurse is captured in the conceptual framework, which provides information critical to the general wellbeing of the population through a multi-faceted approach. The relevant concepts of nursing, which include improvement equitability in resource allocation for the less fortunate and other health promotion activities, help promote the healthy development of the general population. These interventions and other relevant concepts are considered with respect to the relieving of suffering, provision of holistic healing, and being present with compassion. These essential aspects instilled in nurses by Nyack College are critical to the development of professionalism and global engagement among trained nurses.

The conceptual framework contains relevant aspects that promote the nursing experience. For instance, the cultural competence value is very relevant to the diligent execution of assigned duties with respect to a patient's health welfare. The cultural understanding, values, and beliefs of the nurses being molded are conceptually corrected and shaped, thus determining their behavior patterns. It is correct that people often operate and behave according to the values inculcated in them during their formative stages. This illustrates the significance of the enforcement of cultural competence and the institution of essential values in nurses to guarantee professionalism and better health outcomes for patients and the healthcare system in general. In cultural competence, the nurse gains the cultural understanding of the enforced ability to provide appropriate and effective interventions at appropriate timelines to people of diverse cultures and ethnic diversity. By delivering care within the context of culture, the nurses provide meaning to the patient, thus promoting better interactions between the nurses and the patients.

The conceptual framework provided by Nyack College promotes career development into a professional nurse. By providing a framework of values, competencies, and ethical guidelines, the framework prescribes a roadmap for the achievement of better professional goals and effectively instills essential professional ethics in the nurses. The training of individuals at Nyack College into professional nurses follows the instilling of key values such as Godly living, competence, and willingness to serve that are critical to the development of a professional nurse (Nyack, 2021). Individuals are addressed on the significance of health to society and why it should be emphasized. Healthcare disparities and the socio-economic gradients that influence them to necessitate a holistic approach to tackle these factors. Other factors critical to the general improvement of health outcomes include demystifying perceptions of good health and the cultural influence on the measurement of determining health status. These factors determine

the community's perception of health which necessitates the enforcement of a combined effort to inculcate better healthcare coefficients for better healthcare outcomes for patients and the community in general.

Christian nursing is focused on service to others. The conceptual framework clearly defines Christian nursing values, with service being its hallmark. Nurses from the Christian nursing school are identified to be more focused on their service to humanity than their own pleasures and joys. By serving others, they are identified to be more content and satisfied with themselves. Personal contentment allows the nurses to give their best whole-heartedly with compassion, as a result leading to personal transformation. Therefore, both the patient and nurse are transformed, with the patient's health improving while the nurse's mental and spiritual wellness is expanded. The nurses in Christian nursing have the willingness to serve others with limited compensation. These aspects of service in the healthcare industry are rare, thus illustrating the significance of Christian nursing schools such as Nyack College to the general development of the healthcare industry worldwide.

The program outcomes were consistent with the conceptual framework in place. The proposed program outcomes can be identified to align with the earlier set standards and values in the conceptual framework. The program outcomes, such as the pursuit of truth and knowledge in the foundations of Christian nursing practice, are consistent with the value of Godly living, which emphasizes the engagement with spiritual and personal disciplines which intertwine to produce a holistic and professional individual. These outcomes are consistent with the Christian teachings in their formative stage, with individuals able to discover opportunities in the health profession and advance effectively in their professional practice and influential leaders in the industry due to the instilled principles of integrity, commitment, and uncorrupted service. The

Christian values propagated by the college result in the development of strong Christian characters, which are essential for servant leadership, with the individuals identified as ready to serve beyond their call of duty.

However, the environment concept in the conceptual framework does not seem to align with the other principles. The concept of the environment in the Nyack College conceptual framework is described as stable stimuli that surround an individual, influencing the individual's health and wellbeing either positively or negatively at varying magnitudes. As opposed to the environment factor, the other concepts address the social and psychological aspects of healthcare, whereas the environment encompasses the set of physical factors surrounding the individual. The other factors, such as the willingness to serve, Godly living, cultural competence, and nursing goals, address the social aspects that affect Christian nursing and the execution of the different mandates in the provision of health care services to different people (Nyack, 2021). On the other hand, the environment comprises the physical aspect of nursing. The environment, in this case, does not align with the other factors in the conceptual framework. The explanation provided does not sufficiently expound on the influence of the environment on nursing.

Interaction of the environment surrounding an individual may impact their health. Internal and external stimuli may positively or adversely affect an individual by some aspects of their environment that contribute to their wellbeing. Various environmental stimuli may lead to illnesses through factors such as allergies or exposure to specific causative agents. In contrast, some environmental stimuli contribute to the improvement of health conditions, for instance, exposure to sunlight, and fresh air, among other stimuli. Human interaction with the environment has also been identified to contribute to different health conditions, for instance, the

effects of global warming due to human activities such as industrialization and deforestation. These factors adversely affect the environment resulting in negative health conditions for other humans. These factors on the environment illustrate how the environmental aspect presented in the conceptual framework lacks the credibility the other factors have in regard to Christian nursing and the influence on the development of the nursing profession. I would, therefore, remove this concept from the conceptual framework.

Communication is an essential component of a health system. The development and maintenance of effective communication in nursing school is one concept I would recommend for incorporation into the conceptual framework. Communication is considered critical in all sectors involving the contribution of two or more parties. By establishing effective communication models, professional nurses create a reliable source of information, data, ideas, and feedback which is vital to ensuring the quality of service in the healthcare industry. With the establishment of a robust communication network in the Christian nursing school, benefits would be realized through improved self-awareness due to enhanced interactions, better healthcare outcomes due to improved communication with patients, and improved quality of service due to enhanced sharing of ideas and expertise between colleagues. Improved decision-making and reduced medical errors and mistakes are realized due to the facilitated development of communication between colleagues and other healthcare practitioners. Therefore, communication is an essential concept in the healthcare setting that ought to be incorporated to achieve improved healthcare outcomes.

In conclusion, the conceptual framework for Nyack College is relatively agreeable. The conceptual framework contains important nursing concepts, especially with respect to Christian nursing. The nursing concepts of cultural competence, willing service, Godly living, and

developed personal commitment to nursing are essential aspects that contribute to the effective development of professionalism in nursing. Christian values help to shape a reliable and trustworthy professional who undertakes their responsibilities with utmost dedication. However, the environmental aspect does not align with the other conceptual frameworks with regard to spirituality and social relation within the nursing practice. Instead, communication may be incorporated into the conceptual framework due to its unequivocal influence on the quality of healthcare and the improvement of professionalism in the nursing practice. As such, communication is a more fitting replacement for the environment concept in Nyack College's conceptual framework.

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