Intra-and Inter-professional Collaborative Practice

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Collaboration between medical professionals who are from different disciplines working in various organizations is of great importance in the nursing profession as it helps in the provision of good-quality patient care. In healthcare, collaboration refers to the act whereby health care providers usually assume complementary roles and work together cooperatively. In the process of collaboration, the health providers share responsibilities for a problem-solving and making decisions. This essay analyzes the value of intra-and inter-professional collaborative practices in professional practice.

Inter-professional collaboration is of great value as it helps nurses and health providers to be in a position of addressing medical issues that are complex. Another value of inter-professional and intra-professional collaboration is that healthcare professionals working in such teams are able to communicate with each other, and share ideas on how they can address challenging and complex needs which in turn improve the health outcomes of the patients. The inter-professional approach may facilitate the sharing of expertise and perspectives to focus on a common goal of maintaining or maximizing the health of an individual and improving outcomes while combining resources. This helps in reducing medical errors, mortality rate as well as patient readmission rate (May, Sibley & Hunt, 2014).

Inter-professional education will be of great importance as I engage in my doctoral studies as it is a collaborative approach that will help me to be nutured as a future team member.
Intra-and inter-professional education will also be of great importance to me as I engage in my
doctoral studies since I will be able to enhance my various nursing skills and values which
includes respect and having a positive attitude towards other people and working towards
improving the health outcomes of the patients (Lie, Forest, Kysh & Sinclair, 2016).

Some of the opportunities that I see for engaging in intra-and inter-professional

collaborative practice is being able to engage effectively and efficiently in my nursing

practices.

On the other hand as a DNP prepared nurse intra-and, inter-professional collaborative practice
will be of great value to me as it will help me to close any communication gap that will exist
during the process of my nursing practice. This will impact my role as a nurse as it helps increase
my level of knowledge about various patient treatments which in turn will help maintain
continuity of care. Other values of intra-and inter-professional collaborative practice in my
nursing practice include empowering me as a team member of the organization I work for and
promoting my level of team mentality. This will impact my role as a nurse as I will be required
to provide patient-centered care that is free from medical errors (Bleakley, 2013).

One of the examples in which intra-and interprofessional collaborative practice will help
in my nursing practice is when am in a situation on how to deal with a situation whereby a
medical error has occurred. Through collaboration, I will be able to communicate with other
nurses who will guide me and share their ideas on the advantages and disadvantages of
disclosing the medical error and also how am supposed to rectify the mistake, and through that, I
will be able to make an informed decision that will result in better patient outcomes. Another example whereby intra- and inter-professional collaborative practice will impact my role is during my shift whereby I have to communicate with the nurse who was on earlier shift before regarding the procedure of administering medication to a patient who was admitted in the hospital while I was away and also inquire what the patient is suffering from when I fail to find the medical record of the patient. This will help me in my nursing practice and prevent an instance where a medical error occurs.
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