

### **Week 8 Discussion:**

**Select two Massachusetts Nurse of the Future Nursing Core Competencies that you believe will have the most impact on your future professional nursing practice. Why are these the most important ones for you?**

**Identify one AACN BSN Essential that will be most important in improving quality in your future nursing practice. Explain why you selected that essential and how your practice will be improved by its use.**

### **Answer:**

I believe the two Massachusetts Nurse of the Future Nursing Core Competencies that will have the most impact on my professional career are evidence based practices and safety. Evidence based practices are important because of the every changing healthcare world. New technologies and data are evolving which can create a better treatment plan or treatment outcome for the patients. The safety of the patient is especially important, but also the safety of the staff. If the staff isn't in safe working conditions or ratios, then how are we expected to give safe patient care?

The AACN BSN Essential that stood out to me the most was the Interprofessional Communication and Collaboration for Improving Patient Health Outcomes. Communication in the healthcare world is very important, but in the hospital setting when nurses are the number one advocate for their patient's, it seem even more important. Doctors during their rounds are only there for a short period of time, nurses being able to be that voice on behalf of the patient in the smallest of changes could be the biggest outcome of their healthcare.

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