

Week 7 Discussion: Technology in Healthcare

Purpose

The purpose of this discussion is for learners to review technology and security of patient information in the workplace.

Course Outcomes

This discussion enables the student to meet the following course outcome:

- CO 1: Apply leadership concepts, skills, and decision making in the provision of quality nursing care. (PO 2) CO 3: Explain the use of evidence-based practice by leaders and managers. (POs 2, 8)

Directions

Discussions are designed to promote dialogue between faculty and students, and students and their peers. In discussions students:

- Demonstrate understanding of concepts for the week Integrate scholarly resources
- Engage in meaningful dialogue with classmates
- Express opinions clearly and logically, in a professional manner Use the rubric on this page as you compose your answers.

Discussion

Step 1: Read the following case study:

In a local home healthcare agency, nurses are using their personal cell phones to email and text physicians, the agency, and local hospitals. The agency is considering providing the nurses company cell phones with a secure login. There are advantages and disadvantages of each option.

Step 2: Your first post is based on the first letter of your last name. For example, if your last name is Smith, you would address the use of company devices. Please consider impact of use, tracking of information, security, education, cost, and maintenance.

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- What are the advantages of using company devices for professional communication?
- What are the disadvantages of using company devices for professional communication?
- If you were the agency, would you choose personal or company devices? Explain your choice.

Step 3: Reply to classmates in either group. Your discussion post should look like:

Paragraph one: Discuss advantages of the assigned device (based on last name) Paragraph two:

Discuss disadvantages of the assigned device (based on last name) Paragraph three: Explain your personal opinion of which device should be selected. Resources: Where did you find your data?