

NUR 514 Topic 4 DQ 2

As an advanced practice nurse, propose strategies you can implement to increase your participation in the health care policymaking in order to support patient advocacy.

Answer:

Policies are the foundation of private organizations and agencies (Weberg et al., 2019). It is important that nurses view policy as something they can change as opposed to something set in stone. Nurses are experts in health care needs of patients and communities and should take charge in shaping health policies. There are various ways to get involved whether the nurse's presence is going to be small or large. The advanced practice nurse can start by building relationships with policy committee members and finding an area of interest (Weberg et al., 2019). Getting involved with professional organizations and developing relationships with state legislators and providing input to specific healthcare issues are other ways to get more involved.