WEEK 4 DISCUSSIONS

TOPIC 1 DUE

Explain how health care policy affects health care organizations, patient care, and cost-effective quality care. What measures can the nurse leader take as an advocate for patient care and addressing health care cost?

Advanced practice registered nurses are key in carrying out the goals of the ACA and achieving the Triple and Quadruple Aims, via the formation of interprofessional teams. This article offers insight into these policy implications and identifies filters through which related nursing policy will be developed.

"Thanks to their frontline role, nurses offer a unique, expert perspective on every aspect of the health care system and have a key voice in ongoing efforts to improve public health" ("Health policy," 2017). Healthcare policy affects how services are delivered, reimbursement is given, and how patients can assess care. Nurses have a greater advantage in helping reform healthcare policies. "Serving on local boards, committees, and task forces related to health and the quality of life in the community is one of the best ways to demonstrate health advocacy" (Weberg & Mangold, 2023, p. 93). Nurses truly have the best advantage of moving healthcare reform forward.

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