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Nursing Career and Education

Nursing is an essential sphere of American healthcare system because its workers are intended to help every patient constantly, whereas doctors' intervention is required only in various emergency cases. In order to become a professional nurse in America, it is necessary to undergo a specific educational course and gain some experience before working in hospitals and other clinics. The following paper will discuss and cover the importance of the nursing education and different career opportunities in this field.

Nursing Education

Many students seek a possibility of obtaining a nursing degree in the United States of America because this occupation is highly appreciated and provides its employees with high salaries, bonuses, and exemptions. A nursing diploma, which may be received after a continuous course at one of the hospital-based educational institutions, will give its possessor a chance to obtain the national license ("How to Become a Nurse"). The latter document gives graduates a chance to be officially employed by one of the local hospitals. However, the nursing education process is divided into two periods - undergraduate and graduate.

The first period of education in the sphere mentioned above is called Bachelor of Science in Nursing. This four-year degree is usually offered at specialized colleges and universities ("How to Become a Nurse"). The main purpose of this course is to get students acquainted with various medical practices and nursing

responsibilities. In turn, every future nurse is intended to have an understanding of human's psychological features, biological and microbiological processes, anatomy, and some other knowledge that is essential to gain in order to become a professional medical worker ("How to Become a Nurse"). Moreover, Bachelor students are expected to study other general subjects that will be helpful to differentiate and identify the impact of the country's environment, political issues, and other social problems on a wide range of illnesses and diseases ("How to Become a Nurse"). "Bachelor degree includes nursing theory, physical and behavioral sciences, and humanities with additional content in research, leadership, and may include such topics as healthcare economics, health informatics, and health policy" ("How to Become a Nurse"). Furthermore, undergraduates are supposed to make useful researches and participate in additional professional excursions to the local hospitals in order to gain more experience and witness unordinary operations or medical cases.

The second period of education in nursing sphere offers its future students three different variants of an advanced course subject. Graduates are free to choose among such specializations as Master's Degree, Doctor of Philosophy, and Doctor of Nursing Practice ("How to Become a Nurse"). After graduating one of the aforementioned courses, a licensed nurse will have to choose his or her career path, which will influence one's destiny and development in this occupation ("Nurse Career and Education"). To conclude, it would be proper to stress that education might not give any practical experience to the country's future nurses, but its intensive course will give a person basic knowledge that he or she will use in one's future career ("How to Become a Nurse"). Medical treatment is a scrupulous and delicate process that cannot be interrupted or disregarded under any circumstances. Therefore, only

best students are allowed to receive an official license for working in prestigious hospitals.

Career Opportunities for American Nurses

As it was mentioned above, the nursing profession is highly appreciated in the United States of America and will always be in demand, which gives the country's healthcare system's workers to have assuredness in their future career and promotion opportunities in it. However, every graduate is able to find a suitable job offer for him or her that will meet all the personal needs, desires, and expectations. The American Nurses Association (ANA) has a list of free vacancies for nurses on its official website, which contains material that was introduced and published by more than three and a half million professionals in this sphere (“Welcome to the ANA Career Center”). Although there are many job offers that ANA will gladly provide to the newcomers, every medical institution will make a separate analysis and test to identify if the hospital's future worker is competent enough to provide medical treatment to its valuable patients (“Welcome to the ANA Career Center”). Moreover, a beginner is obliged to pass the probation period (internship) in order to prove that his or her knowledge is useful and that this person's patients will benefit from this nurse's help.

There are a plethora of different positions that any graduate can obtain after receiving his or her license and diploma. The most common vacancy in this sphere is a nursing practitioner (“Welcome to the ANA Career Center”). There are more than one thousand and eight hundred job offers at the present moment (“Welcome to the ANA Career Center”). Other popular fields of nursing that offer a wide range of jobs are medical and surgical departments.

Duties of Registered Nurses

As it was mentioned above, nursing is a very delicate activity, which requires the worker's extra effort and his or her specific knowledge in this sphere. Moreover, it obligates nurses to follow their primary responsibilities and duties in order to keep the hospital's environment beneficial for its patients. However, registered nurses are supposed to record and make special notes in medical histories of their patients to display the information that will be beneficial for doctor's conclusions, recipes, and treatment recommendations ("How to Become a Nurse"). This record plays a significant role in the entire healing process. Therefore, it has to be accurate and should contain only authentic information. Another duty that nurses are expected to do is to administer and account all medicine that the hospital's patients are recommended to take on a daily basis.

As nurses have more contact with their patients than doctors do, it is best for them to remain kind and responsive to all of their needs and desires because every person has to feel comfortable in order to heal as soon as possible («How to Become a Nurse»). Nevertheless, nurses are also responsible for every patient's schedule and medical procedures. Otherwise, the hospital's daily workflow might be ineffective for both patients and medical personnel. As RNs are required to make records in every medical history, they also need to observe their patients, summarize and inference the found data in order to prescript the proper medicine and set the patient's daily regime.

However, people are not able to know everything in their occupation. Therefore, nurses are obliged to consult doctors or other competent colleagues in case of certain misunderstandings. The colleagues' collaboration should exist in every hospital because the experience that the entire team gains is much more valuable than just one person's knowledge ("How to Become a Nurse"). Therefore,

medical personnel is expected to share this experience among one another for every patient to benefit from their mutual treatment and knowledge.

Medical equipment in every hospital is one of the most important things that have to meet all the normative requirements because it will be used to help people heal. In case of any electronic or technical issues and defects, it might cause harm to its user. Therefore, nurses should operate this equipment properly and be aware of any errors that will not provide a patient with a proper treatment or medical procedure (“How to Become a Nurse”). Furthermore, nurses are intended to help doctors with various diagnosing tests and participate in analyzing their results. This assistance is important because doctors usually need help in their work in order to concentrate on the disease’s theory, whereas nurses have more experience in working with patients and their help might be useful as well.

Moreover, nurses are expected to give their patients (or their families) consultations about managing a wide range of injuries, illnesses, and medicine on their own. Some patients do not consult their nurses or doctors, which often leads to the sequela of a certain disease (“How to Become a Nurse”). The last responsibility of a nursing practitioner is to explain the rehabilitation process’s flow to the patient who needs to create special conditions at one's home. As it was mentioned above, many people cause harm to themselves if they disregard the doctor’s recommendations.

Conclusion

Although the majority of American students prefer building their careers in other perspective occupations, the nursing profession remains one of the most stable and demanding sphere in the country's economic system. Moreover, many nurses receive high salaries and special bonuses that let them use particular

governmental services without additional fees. Nursing education lasts longer than other spheres require their students to study because this profession has a plethora of different requirements that might have a significant impact on future patients of these people.

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