

Three Aspects of Nursing

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When considering nursing as a career there are a variety of things to consider. Nursing as a profession is very rewarding. Just a few of the positive things about becoming a nurse are: it's a very respected profession, it's challenging, and it's a great feeling to know you've made a difference to many people.

Nursing is considered by many to be the most respected professions there is. "Eighty-four percent of Americans ranked nursing as the most well respected profession in an annual Honesty & Ethics of Professions poll conducted by USA Today/Gallup." People recognize the sacrifices that nurses make to be able to provide care for them and for their loved ones.

Because of the nature of the position, not just anyone can become a nurse. It takes someone who can not only retain head knowledge, but who can also handle themselves professionally when working with various, patients, colleagues, family members, and even drugs and bodily fluids. You will do all this while maintaining an approachable and personable attitude. Finally, you have to balance this with a firmness and confidence with your patience while providing attention to every detail.

There are many other challenges in nursing. It is hard work, sometimes long shifts, and you will spend most of the time on your feet. Many times it will be both physically and emotionally draining. The rewards of helping people far outweigh these challenges. One that can also be a benefit is that you can also challenge yourself in many ways beyond this. Challenge yourself to always continue to learn so that you're constantly better able to help your patients. This is one of the ways that you can always keep yourself relevant and stop your career from ever feeling stagnant. This also helps you to always do the best that you can for your patients and advocate for them.

As a nurse, the aim is to provide as much care needed to each person, while still allowing them to remain as independent as possible. In this way, not only have you helped people by caring for them, but you also allow them to maintain a sense of control. I find it best to make sure that you know what it is that your patient wants from you, and help them to plan their care collaboratively. Always remember that care is to be designed individually for each patient.

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