

On January 27, 2026, Nurse B. Smith accessed the electronic medical record of **Patient ID: P-2045**, who was **not assigned to her care** and was not part of her treatment responsibilities that day.

While at the shared nursing station, Nurse Smith discussed the patient's diagnosis and recent lab results aloud with another staff member. This conversation occurred in a semi-public area where **patients and visitors were present** and could reasonably overhear the information.

The access to the patient's record was later identified during a routine system audit, which showed that Nurse Smith viewed the record **without a clinical need or authorization**.