

PASSAGE #4Patient Education

One of the many important job functions that nurses have is to provide patient education. Patient education can include preventive education on how to avoid illness and injuries and information about specific diseases or conditions. Patient education is valuable because it can increase the likelihood patients will follow treatment plans and help patients become more independent. Patient education also helps patients know when they should use medical services. To effectively provide medical education, nurses need medical knowledge and good relationships with their patients.

MISSING SENTENCE

Professional development for nurses needs to often include techniques to check patient understanding.