**Analyzing for Important Information in the Stress Position**

I selected the Ozbolt and Graves (1993) article to analyze. Despite being published in 1993, we still seem to struggle with similar issues described in the paragraph today. I analyzed this article for important information in the sentence appearing in the stress position (Gopen, 2011).

**Paragraph**

How to make visible what nurses do-intellectually, emotionally, socially, and physically-for their patients remains an open question. Although their statements are not documented in the literature, nurses frequently complain that if they tried to record everything, they would have no time for patient care; they fault the so-called acuity systems or taking too much time for data collection while still failing to capture the full range of care. (In fact, these systems are not generally designed to capture everything but merely to place patients into ordinal categories of greater or lesser requirements for nursing care.) Without retrievable data to describe what issues nurses address in their care, what interventions they apply, and what patient outcomes they achieve, it is impossible to assess the nature, the effectiveness, the quality, and the value of nursing care. Consequently, nursing's contribution to patient welfare is invisible and often overlooked, and nursing productivity is commonly considered to increase if a given number of patients at given levels of acuity are cared for by fewer or less qualified (and so less expensive) nurses. This calculation is based on the highly questionable assumption that the patients receive the same care and achieve the same outcomes in any case. Nurses might dispute this assumption, but without data that accurately represent their practice, they cannot challenge it successfully. Information about nursing practice is thus needed to assess and to improve nursing's effectiveness and productivity.

**Paragraph Attributes**

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**Improvement Suggestion**

It is an open question how to make visible what nurses do-intellectually, emotionally, socially, and physically-for their patients. (I moved open question out of the stress position.)

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