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Ethics and Jurisprudence for the Indiana Physical Therapist

Ethical Dilemmas

1. An ethical dilemma may emerge from something as innocent as conflicting state and county guidelines or unknowingly using outdated standards or therapeutic equipment.

- A. True
- B. False

Ethical Approaches

2. Which of the following ethical approaches promotes the maximum amount of pleasure and happiness with the minimum amount of pain and suffering?

- A. Utilitarianism
- B. Personalized
- C. Deontologic
- D. Natural law theory

State Regulatory Boards

3. Physical therapists do all of the following, except:

- A. Diagnose impairments, functional limitations, and disabilities related to medical conditions, movement dysfunction, and other health-related disorders.
- B. Provide medical diagnoses.
- C. Identify when a patient's signs and symptoms potentially lie outside the scope of physical therapist diagnosis.
- D. Identify when a patient requires a referral to a physician for further diagnostic work-up and identification or underlying pathology.

Indiana Regulations

4. “Direct supervision” means that the supervising physical therapist or physician at all times shall be available and under all circumstances shall be absolutely responsible for the direction and the actions of the person supervised when services are performed by the physical therapist’s assistant or holder of a temporary permit issued under IC 25-27-1-8(d).

- A. True
- B. False

5. The supervising physical therapist shall examine each patient not less than every ten days for inpatients in either a hospital or comprehensive rehabilitation facility.

- A. True
- B. False

APTA Code of Ethics

6. The purpose of the Code of Ethics is to:

- A. Define the ethical principles that form the foundation of physical therapist practice in patient / client management, consultation, education, research, and administration.
- B. Provide guidance for physical therapists facing ethical challenges, regardless of their professional roles and responsibilities.
- C. Establish the standards by which the American Physical Therapy Association can determine if a physical therapist has engaged in unethical conduct.
- D. All of the above.

7. Physical therapists shall provide the information necessary to allow patients or their surrogates to make informed decisions about physical therapy care or participation in clinical research.

- A. True
- B. False

8. Physical therapists shall collaborate with patients / clients to empower them in decisions about their health care.

- A. True
- B. False

9. Physical therapists who have knowledge that a colleague is unable to perform their professional responsibilities with reasonable skill and safety shall not interfere, as doing so will lead to a hostile work environment and make it more difficult for the patients / clients.

- A. True

B. False

10. Physical therapists shall not accept gifts or other considerations that:

- A. Influence or give an appearance of influencing their professional judgement.
- B. Are over a \$25 value.
- C. Both (A) and (B).
- D. None of the above.

11. Physical therapists can recommend products or services that they have a financial interest in without disclosing that interest to their patients / clients.

- A. True
- B. False

12. Physical therapists shall advocate to:

- A. Reduce health disparities and health care inequities.
- B. Improve access to health care services.
- C. Address the health, wellness, and preventive health care needs of people.
- D. Physical therapists shall advocate for all of the above.

13. With regard to the patient / client management role, once a physical therapist accepts an individual for physical therapy services he/she shall be responsible for:

- A. The examination, evaluation, and diagnosis of that individual.
- B. The prognosis and intervention.
- C. The maintenance of adequate records, including progress reports.
- D. The physical therapist is responsible for all of the above.

Topics

14. Physical therapists shall do each of the following, except:

- A. Shall act in a respectful manner toward each person regardless of age, gender, race, nationality, religion, ethnicity, social or economic status, sexual orientation, health condition, or disability.
- B. Shall not engage in any sexual relationship with any of their patients / clients, supervisees, or students, unless it is consensual by all parties involved.
- C. Shall encourage colleagues with physical, psychological, or substance-related impairments that may adversely impact their professional responsibilities to seek assistance or counsel.
- D. Shall provide pro bono physical therapy services or support organizations that meet the health needs of people who are economically disadvantaged, uninsured, and underinsured.

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