

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center

(Sports Medicine, Sex and Gender Specific Health, & Interprofessional Practice and Education)

The Reason I Jump: An Interprofessional Preceptor Mini-Series

Episode 9 – Ethical Role Models

Preceptor Objectives:

1. Discuss the potential hazards of poor ethical modeling on both learner development and patient-centered care. *(Understand)*
2. List at least three advantages of consulting or networking with other preceptors to share experiences, debrief problems, and engage in preceptor training and development. *(Remember)*

Student Objectives:

1. Give at least three examples of effective patient communication and ways to practice/perfect patient communication skills. *(Understand)*
2. Discuss the impact appearance and clinical dress can have on the rotation experience, as well as on patient/family satisfaction with health care services. *(Understand)*

Sex and Gender Health Objectives:

1. Compare and contrast gender differences in symptom reporting and potential impact these differences can have on patient outcomes and healthcare utilization. *(Analyze)*

Interprofessional Education Objectives:

1. Plan how this interprofessional team should manage ethical dilemmas specific to the patient-centered care situations discussed in this episode. *(Create)*

Preceptor Pearls:

1. Be an ethical model and thermometer for learners, as learners will look to you when applying ethical values to patient care. Respect the dignity and privacy of patients while maintaining upmost confidentiality in the delivery of team-based care. *(Be an ethical model by respecting the dignity and privacy of patients.)*
2. Precepting can be challenging and it helps to seek support from others. Consider forming a preceptor network or support group. You can organize a group of preceptors to share experiences, debrief problems, and engage in professional development on becoming an exemplary preceptor. *(Seek out other preceptors for support and advice.)*

Student Pearls:

1. Learn to perfect your communication skills with patients. Patient communication is the most important health care procedure that any clinician does and it is vital to successful patient outcomes and higher patient satisfaction. *(Learn to perfect your patient communication skills.)*
2. Maintain a neat and clean appearance and dress appropriately in attire that is generally accepted as professional by the patient population served. *(Look, act, and dress professionally when interacting with patients and their families.)*