**Suggested Answers to Discussion Topics, Chapter 18, Admissions, Transfers, and Discharges**

| Suggested Answers for Topics for Discussion | Learning Objective(s) |
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| 1a. Students’ responses should include the following:   * Gather any equipment or supplies you will need, and any special equipment that the nurse tells you the person will need. * Prepare the person’s room in advance of arrival. * Greet the person and introduce yourself by name and title. * Obtain and document the resident’s height and weight. * Obtain and document the resident’s vital signs. * Assist the person to unpack and put personal items away. * Complete the resident inventory sheet. * Help the new resident become familiar with the facility and the room. * Teach the resident about the call light control, telephone, bed control, television, and lights.   1b. Students’ responses should include the following:   * Prepare her room in advance to let her know her arrival was anticipated and planned for. * Greet Mrs. Hernandez warmly and ask how she wishes to be addressed. * Greet any family members that may accompany Mrs. Hernandez. * Introduce yourself and give your title, telling her what you will be doing to help care for her. * Give Mrs. Hernandez a tour of her room, show her where the bathroom is, and show her how to use the equipment and call light control. * Establish communication with her by involving her in conversation. * Introduce her to roommates and other staff members.   1c. Students’ responses should include the following:   * Assisting the patient or resident or the family with collecting and packing the individual’s belongings. * Accompany the patient or resident and their belongings as they leave the facility. * Respectfully say good-bye to the patient or resident. | 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 |
| 2a. Students’ responses should include the following:   * Fear and guilt about leaving her mother in the nursing home to be cared for by strangers. * Sadness about having to leave her mother. * Uncertainty about her decision to place her mother in a nursing home. * Anger that she is no longer in control and is being replaced as caregiver by others.   2b. Students’ responses should include the following:   * Empathize with her situation and use active listening. * Let her know you support her and respect the role she has played as her mother’s caregiver. * Listen to any advice about her mother’s care as well as her suggestions and complaints. * Do not make a judgment about her decision to place her mother in a nursing home. * Allow her to take part in her mother’s care as long as Mrs. Lyon wants her to. | 4, 5 |