**Suggested Answers to Discussion Topics, Chapter 46, Introduction to Home Health Care**

| Suggested Answers for Topics for Discussion | Learning Objectives |
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| 1a. Students’ responses should include the following:   * You may be responsible for monitoring vital signs and helping the clients with routine activities of daily living. * You will follow the care plan created by the case manager with input from all members of the health care team. * You play an important role in reporting changes in a client’s medical condition that could indicate a serious problem. * You function as the “eyes and ears” of the members of the team who do not see the client as frequently. * You must accurately document the care you provide on the appropriate paperwork, including the date, time, and duration of the visit.   1b. Students’ responses should include the following:   * The case manager, usually a registered nurse, who is responsible for overseeing all of the client’s care, from admission through discharge. * The physician or nurse practitioner * Registered nurse and licensed practical nurse * Physical therapists * Occupational therapists * Speech therapists * Social workers   1c. Students’ responses should include the following:   * You will be required to keep a daily record of your activities, and a travel log. * You have a duty to remember that you are a guest in the client’s home. * You will provide personal care. * You may prepare meals or snacks. * You may provide some cleaning services. * You may do laundry. | 3, 4, 5 |
| 2a. Students’ responses should include the following:   * Janice may be experiencing delusions due to their terminal illness. * Janice’s belief that the children are stealing from them may be accurate.   2b. Students’ responses should include the following:   * Tell Janice kindly that you are unable to take gifts of any kind from a client you are caring for. * Assist them to place the rings in a safe place. * Notify the case manager immediately and describe this interaction using Janice’s words. | 5, 6 |