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Ethical Principles

These principles are the foundation for the Code of Ethics for nurses and the provisions that guide practice.

Autonomy – The principle involves the patient’s right to make decisions based on their beliefs and values.

Beneficence – The principle requires nurses to avoid maltreatment, minimize harm, and act with the patient’s best interest in mind. Nurses must balance the benefits and risks of any treatment or procedure to the patient.

Justice – The principle is about how people are treated when their interests compete or conflict with the interests of others. The principle requires fair and equal treatment of patients.

Non-maleficence – The principle requires nurses to cause no harm to the patient.

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Nursing Philosophy + Security Philosophy = Ethical Conflict/Moral Distress

Nursing Philosophy	Security Philosophy
Caring	Firm
Compassionate	Fair
Patient-centered Care	Consistent

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