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ETHICS

• Discipline concerned with right or wrong conduct
• Guides to moral behavior
• Making choices or judgments
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• **Put resident’s needs ahead of your own**

  • Be sincere, honest and trustworthy in performance of duties
    - caring and concerned
    - “golden rule”
• Show respect for each resident as an individual

• Understand the limits of role

• Perform only acts for which adequately prepared

• Perform acts only within legal scope of nurse aide
• **Carry out assignments to best of ability**

• **Be loyal:**

• **Maintain a positive attitude toward institution that employs you**

• **Support co-workers**
• Be responsible citizen at all times
• Respect others
• Respect values that differ from yours
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• **Respect privacy of others:**
  – while dressing
  – while performing personal hygiene
  – during examination or treatment
  – during visits with clergy
  – during visits with spouse or significant other
• **Do not accept monetary tips**
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