


PHILOSOPHY



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- Philosophy is derived from the Greek word Philo (Love) Sophia (Wisdom) Love of wisdom.
 - Def - Philosophy is the science of sciences (Coleridge).
 - It is a knowledge of reality and it is the knowledge of universal, unchangeable and external (Plato)

Concept of philosophy


- It is some kind of science which is concerned with generalized problems and examines problems very critically.
- It is more of intuitive experience of reality and it is an intellectual attempt to interpret and understand the universe.

Importance of philosophy in Administration

- It explains the origin, the nature and the destiny of man and the purpose of life.
- It helps to direct activities, weigh values and make sound decisions
- It provides the basis for belief and principles underlying the statement of philosophy.

Factors influencing philosophy

- Scientific and technological advance, sociological influence on Hospital care
- Economic conditions, improvement in living condition
- Improvement in Nursing through higher education and research

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- Team approach to health care
 - Increased use of Hospital facilities by the public
 - Modern scientific approach to nsg administration
 - Development of specialization in NSG.
 - Stress on preventive and rehabilitative and community health problems.

Philosophy of Administration

- Administration believes in cost effectiveness
- To execute and control of work plans
- In delegation of responsibility and authority
- Believes in human relations and good morale
- Believes in effective communication
- Flexibility in certain situation

NURSING PHILOSOPHY

Nursing Philosophy in general can be defined as conceptual model or framework providing a frame of reference of nurses to guide thinking, observations, interpretations and practice (Deedhouse 2000) and it should include ideal about the person, the environment , health and illness and the nurse.

Standards for evaluating nursing Philosophy -

- The philosophy should be available in written form in nursing department
- It should be developed by nursing personnel, consumers and other health care personnel
- It should include humanity, society, health, nursing forces, internal forces like personnel, clients, material resources, research education and family.