

Assessment 1: Collaboration and Leadership Reflection

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Leadership plays an important part in fostering a supportive and collaborative healthcare environment by promoting a culture that enhances both employee satisfaction and the quality of patient care (Singh et al., 2024). Effective leadership plays a crucial role in unifying teams and has a significant impact on patient care. This paper will reflect on interprofessional collaboration and highlight how both effective and ineffective influences affect the outcome.

Interdisciplinary Collaboration Experience

A patient entered the emergency department with chest heaviness arm, profuse sweating, and a history of diabetes mellitus and hypertension. I was part of an interprofessional team. The initial response was timely and organized, and communication between the nurse and physician was clear. However, there was a delay in completing the echocardiogram due to a lack of clarity regarding who was responsible for transport. As well, there was minimal communication with the patient's family, which led to confusion about the diagnosis and treatment plan. Not all team members were fully aware of the updates, which resulted in repetition of questions and minor delays in care. Reflecting on my role, I realized I can improve by being more proactive in checking for updates from other departments and clarifying responsibilities early on. Moving forward, I will apply these insights to improve teamwork and communication in future interprofessional settings.

Effective vs. Ineffective Leadership in Collaboration

Effective leadership is characterized by a leader who inspires and guides teams towards shared goals, providing a positive and productive environment (Marbun et al., 2023). For example, a charge nurse made a point to communicate clearly during shift changes, encouraged staff to speak up, and stepped in to help when things got busy. This kind of leadership helped