



Well-being

Hope

Post-Assessment

Question Set #1

A 30-year-old woman, Lorraine Day is in a hospital bed in her second floor bedroom. The hospice nurse wants to discuss Lorraine's dying with her. Lorraine discharges the nurse since she (Lorraine) had made clear she wanted to focus her energy on positive approaches.

Would it have been appropriate for the nurse to counter Lorraine's "denial" by saying?

1. "You've got to come to terms with the fact you're dying."
Why and why not?
2. "Denying it won't change anything."
Why and why not?

True or False Question Set #2

1. Facilitating hope for each day is an important contribution to the care of those far-advanced diseases.
True False
2. Hope is a motivating force, an inner readiness to reach goals.
True False
3. Level of religious convictions is related to hope.
True False
4. Devaluation of personhood is a hope, hindering category
True False

Answer Set #1

Obviously both of these responses do violence to Lorraine and what she is prepared to discuss. The first tack to take would be to discuss with Lorraine what positive approaches she would find helpful. This illustrates starting with where the patient is and not our pre-determined agenda. Remember that this is Lorraine's life and we need to help her in the way she finds useful.

Answer Set #2

1. Facilitating hope for each day is an important contribution to the care of those far-advanced diseases. **Answer: True.**
2. Hope is a motivating force, an inner readiness to reach goals. **Answer: True.**
3. Level of religious convictions is related to hope. **Answer: True.**
4. Devaluation of personhood is a hope-hindering category. **Answer: True**