

# Community health nursing .(settings & roles

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- Is the community health nurse has specific Roles ? And  
Is her role is different when it compare with hospital nurse?

# .Objective

**Upon completion of this lecture the student will  
;be able to**

- **Define the following terms: Public Health, Primary health care, and community health nursing.**
- **Discuss at least four principles related to primary health care.**
- **Mentioned at least five services related to PHC.**

- **List at least 6 setting for community health nurse.**
- **List at least 4 roles of community health nurse.**

# :Out line of content

- 1- Definitions of following terms:  
Public health , community health nursing, primary health care.
- 2- The element and principle of primary health care.
- 3- Setting of community health nurses.
- 4- Roles of community health nurses.



# Public Health.

Is the science and art of preventing disease,  
prolonging life, and promoting health and  
efficiency through organized community  
efforts:

- The sanitation of the environment.
- The control of communicable diseases.
- The education of the individual in personal hygiene.
- The organization of medical and nursing services for the early diagnosis and preventive treatment of disease.

# Community Health Nursing.

- According ANA; (1980)  
is a synthesis of nursing practice and public health practice applied to promoting and preserving the health of populations and the practice is general and comprehensive. it is not limited to a particular age or diagnosis and is continuing.



# .Primary Health Nursing

- Is essential health care based on practical, scientifically sound and socially acceptable methods and technology made universally accessible to individuals and families in the community through their full participation and at a cost that the community and country can afford to maintain at every stage of their development in the spirit of self-reliance and self-determination.

# Five principles underlie this definition.

- Health care services should be equally accessible to all.
- There should be maximum individual and community involvement in the planning and operation of health care services.
- The focus of care should be on prevention and promotion rather than on cure.

- **Appropriate technology should be used**, i.e. methods, procedures, techniques and equipment should be scientifically valid, adapted to local needs and acceptable to users and to those for whom they are used.
- Health care is regarded as only a part of total health development-other sectors as education , housing, nutrition are all essential for the achievement of well being.

# Essential elements of a primary health care services

- Education concerning prevailing health problems and the methods of preventing and controlling them.
- Promotion of food supply and proper nutrition.
- An adequate supply of safe water and basic sanitation .
- Maternal and child health care , including family planning.



- Immunization against the major infectious diseases.
- Prevention and control of locally endemic disease.
- Appropriate treatment of common disease and injuries.
- Provision of essential drugs.

# .Setting for community health nurse

- Home health care.
- Hospice care.
- Community health in the schools.
- Occupational health (industrial sites).
- Other community health nursing role (out patient surgery center, prenatal & well-baby clinic, urgent care centers) and health department as (vital record statisticians ,communicable disease investigation).

# Roles of the community health .nurse

- Clinician.
- Advocate.
- Collaborator.
- Consultant.
- Advisor.
- Educator.
- Researcher.
- Administrator.

# Conclusions.

- Community health nursing involves; health promotion, health maintenance, health education ,and management, coordination , and continuity of care and utilized in a holistic to the management of the health care of individuals, families and groups s in a community.



Thank you

