50 Motivational Nursing Quotes

Nurses dispense comfort, compassion, and caring without even a prescription.

-Val Saintsbury

The character of a nurse is just as important as the knowledge he/she possesses.

-Carolyn Jarvis

Some people think that doctors and nurses can put scrambled eggs back in the shell.

-Cass Canfield

Our job as nurses is to cushion the sorrow and celebrate the job, everyday, while we are “just doing our jobs”.

-Christine Belle

Constant attention by a good nurse may be just as important as a major operation by a surgeon.

-Dag Hammarskjold

Nurses are the heart of healthcare.

-Donna Wilk Cardillo

When I think about all the patients and their loved ones that I have worked with over the years, I know most of them don’t remember me nor I them, but I do know that I gave a little piece of myself to each of them and they to me and those threads make up the beautiful tapestry in my mind that is my career in nursing.

-Donna Wilk Cardillo

Apprehension, uncertainty, waiting, expectation, fear of surprise, do a patient more harm than any exertion.

-Florence Nightingale

Nursing would be a dream job if there were no doctors.

-Gerhard Kocher

Nurses may not be angels, but they are the next best thing!

-Unknown
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When you’re a nurse you know that every day you will touch a life or a life will touch yours.

-Unknown

Save one life and you’re a hero, save one hundred lives and you’re a nurse.

-Unknown

Keep your thoughts positive because your thoughts become your words. Keep your words positive because your words become your behavior. Keep you behavior positive because your behavior becomes your habits. Keep you habits positive because your habits become your values. Keep your values positive because your values become your destiny.

-Mahatma Gandhi

People will forget what you said, they will forget what you did, but they will never forget how you made them feel!!

-Maya Angelou

It is not how much you do, but how much love you put in the doing.

-Mother Theresa

To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived, that is to have succeeded.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

To do what nobody else will do, in a way that nobody else can do, in spite of all we go through: that is what it means to be a nurse.

-Rawsi Williams

A nurse will always give us hope, an angel with a stethoscope.

-Terri Guillemets

The way we communicate with others and with ourselves ultimately determines the quality of our lives.

-Anthony Robbins

To accomplish great things, you must not only act, but also dream, not only plan, but also believe.
I’m not telling you it’s going to be easy, I’m telling you it’s going to be worth it.

- Anatole France

I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something, and because I cannot do everything I will not refuse to do something that I can do.

- Art Williams

The trained nurse has become one of the great blessings of humanity, taking a place beside the physician and the priest....

- Helen Keller

Bound by paperwork, short on hands, sleep, and energy... nurses are rarely short on caring.

- William Osler

Panic plays no part in the training of a nurse.

- Sharon Hudacek

You know you’re a nurse if... you triage the laundry when at home: This pile needs immediate attention, the pile can wait, this pile, with a little stain stick will be OK until you get back to it.

- Elizabeth Kenny

Nurses — one of the few blessings of being ill.

- Donna Wilk Cardillo

Nursing is not for everyone. It takes a very strong, intelligent, and compassionate person to take on the ills of the world with passion and purpose and work to maintain the health and well-being of the planet. No wonder we’re exhausted at the end of the day!

- Donna Wilk Cardillo

Nurses are the hospitality of the hospital.

- Carrie Latet
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I may be compelled to face danger, but never fear it, and while our soldiers can stand and fight, I can stand and feed and nurse them.

- Clara Barton

How can anybody hate nurses? Nobody hates nurses. The only time you hate a nurse is when they’re giving you an enema.

- Warren Beatty

It would not be possible to praises nurses too highly.

- Stephen Ambrose

It’s a beautiful thing when career and passion come together.

- Anonymous

Your work is going to fill a large part of your life, and the only way to be truly satisfied is to do what you believe is great work. And the only way to do great work is to love what you do. If you haven't found it yet, keep looking. Don't settle.

- Steve Jobs

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- Lynn Keegan

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- Rawsi Williams, BSN, RN

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- Sister Elizabeth Kenny

The most important practical lesson than can be given to nurses is to teach them what to observe.

- Florence Nightingale
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Nursing encompasses an art, a humanistic orientation, a feeling for the value of the individual, and an intuitive sense of ethics, and of the appropriateness of action taken.

– Myrtle Aydelotte, PhD, RN, FAAN

Whether a person is a male or female, a nurse is a nurse.

– Gary Veale, RN

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–Dr. Jean Watson

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–Christine Belle

To make a difference in someone’s life, you don’t have to be brilliant, rich, beautiful or perfect. You just have to care.

-Mandy Hale

You don’t build a house without its foundation. You don’t build a hospital without its Nurses.

–Anonymous

Nurses quietly go about their work in a noble profession, uncelebrated soldiers toiling through the days and nights in service to the sick, the injured and the dying.

-Steve Lopez
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America’s nurses are the beating heart of our medical system.

- President Barack Obama

The nurse who can smile when things go wrong is probably going off duty.

- Anonymous

Diagnosis is not the end, but the beginning of practice.

- Martin H. Fischer

Have a heart that never hardens, a temper that never tires, a touch that never hurts.

- Charles Dickens