



Crossing the Line

You've crossed the line when you:

- Share personal problems or aspects of your intimate life
- Spend time with a patient outside of dialysis
- Become defensive when questioned about your interactions with a patient
- Let a patient become dependent on you
- Flirt with a patient
- Curse and become disrespectful

Avoid crossing the line by:

- Honoring patient confidentiality
- Limiting self-disclosure
- Avoiding dual relationships/friendships and intimate relationships
- Not giving or receiving gifts or favors
- Maintaining appropriate physical boundaries (i.e., personal space, touch, and eye contact)