

# NC Department of Health and Human Services **NC Home Care Aide Curriculum**

#### Module 9 – Time Management

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## **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Explain the importance of time management and organizational skills
- 2. Apply applicable organizational techniques
- 3. Explain how time management can impact patient care
- 4. Demonstrate skillful time management and organizational decision making

### TIME MANAGEMENT

- There are typically many assigned tasks to be completed, which must be completed in a specified amount of time, often with no direction as to what order to complete them.
- Staying organized and managing one's time efficiently ensures appropriate patient care.



### **IMPACT OF TIME MANAGEMENT**

Better organization and use of time can have a positive impact on one's personal and professional life.



### **TYPICAL HOME CARE AIDE TASKS**

# Home care aides have many tasks they are assigned to perform.



## **TIPS TO MAXIMIZE TIME (1)**

### Make a to-do list



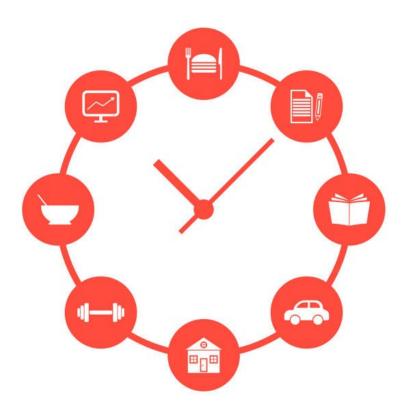
### **TIPS TO MAXIMIZE TIME (2)**

### Prioritize your to-do list/ care plan



### **TIPS TO MAXIMIZE TIME (3)**

### **Establish a routine**



## **TIPS TO MAXIMIZE TIME (4)**

### Multi-task



## **TIPS TO MAXIMIZE TIME (4)**

# Investigate any wasted time or slowing down



## **TIPS TO MAXIMIZE TIME (5)**

### **Time limit tasks**



### **ACTIVITY #1**

### **Timing tasks**



## HAVE A PLAN (1)

The care plan will outline your assigned tasks; however, the home care aide should develop a plan for completing those tasks.



## HAVE A PLAN (2)

- What tasks have been assigned?
- How much time do I have to complete them?
- How much time will each task take to complete?



### **ACTIVITY #2**

## Case Scenarios Part 1 – Mrs. Willis



## START WITH LAUNDRY Linens



### **BATHING, DRESSING, AND GROOMING**

## Bath



## WHO'S HUNGRY? Lunch time!



## HOUSEKEEPING TASKS

## Light housekeeping



## **Continuing To Maximize Time** Finish linens; make the bed



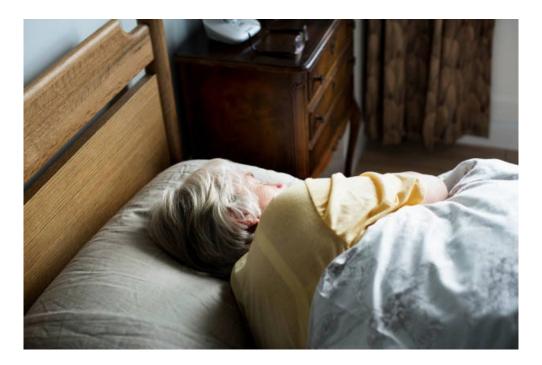
### SUCCESS

### All tasks completed in allotted time



### **ACTIVITY #2**

## Case Scenarios Part 2 – Mrs. Coals



## A PHYSIOLOGICAL NEED

# Ms. Coals' medical care should take top priority



## A SAFETY NEED (1)

# Clean the area and check for any signs of skin breakdown



## A SAFETY NEED (2) Bed bath



## **MULTI-TASKING (1)**

### **Breakfast**



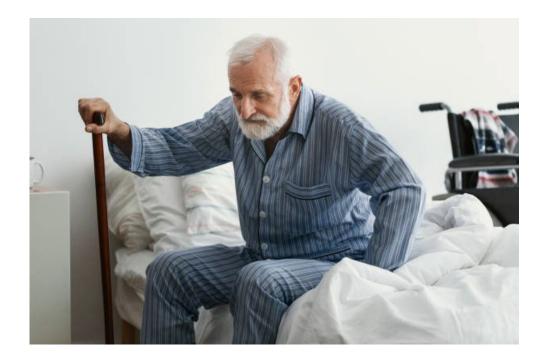
## **MULTI-TASKING (2)**

## To finish...



### **ACTIVITY #2**

## Case Scenarios Part 3 – Mr. Walker



### **ACTIVITY #3**

### **Class Discussion: Personal Strategies**



### **A CHANCE TO CHANGE WORK HABITS**

#### YOU ARE NOW WELL VERSED IN THE IMPORTANCE OF TIME MANAGEMENT!

#### IMPLEMENTING THESE STRATEGIES INTO YOUR OWN WORK WILL HOPEFULLY MAKE YOUR DAY, AND YOUR JOB AS A HOME CARE AIDE, MORE MANAGEABLE.

