

**APTA Tennessee**  
**Ethics in Physical Therapy Practice**  
**Post-test**

**Multiple Choice – Circle all answers that are correct for each question.**

1. A Code of Ethics supports a profession, such as the physical therapy profession, by:
  - a. Defining the values and standards of the profession
  - b. Providing a framework for ethical decision making based upon the profession's expectations
  - c. Demonstrating a level of professionalism to the public
  - d. Validating one's personal values
  
2. Which of the following are the Core Values of the physical therapy profession as identified by the APTA?
  - a. Social Responsibility
  - b. Integrity
  - c. Altruism
  - d. Compassion
  - e. Excellence
  
3. Which of the following describes an ethical dilemma? (b. and e. are conflicts)
  - a. Two principles apply but if you choose one you violate the another.
  - b. When you are having trouble deciding what action to take.
  - c. When you choose to apply an obviously appropriate principle knowing that you will get a negative consequence.
  - d. When two or more principles apply but have inconsistent courses of action.
  - e. You know the right thing to do but you are directed by your job description to do otherwise.
  
4. Fill in the blanks for the RIPS Model of Ethical Decision Making.
  - a. Realm – 1. \_\_\_\_\_, 2. \_\_\_\_\_, 3. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Societal – 1. Moral \_\_\_\_\_, 2. Moral \_\_\_\_\_, Moral \_\_\_\_\_, 4. Moral \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Organizational – 1. \_\_\_\_\_, 2. \_\_\_\_\_, 3. \_\_\_\_\_, 4. \_\_\_\_\_, 5. \_\_\_\_\_
  
5. Which of the following are principles from the "Code of Ethics for the Physical Therapist?"
  - a. Physical therapists shall be accountable for making sound professional judgments.
  - b. Physical therapists shall promote organizational behaviors and business practices that benefit patients/clients and society.
  - c. Physical therapists shall enhance their expertise through the lifelong acquisition and refinement of knowledge, skills, abilities, and professional behaviors.
  - d. Physical therapists shall respect the inherent dignity and rights of all individuals.
  
6. Which of the following are standards from the "Standards of Ethical Conduct for the Physical Therapist Assistant?"
  - a. Physical therapist assistants shall be trustworthy and compassionate in addressing the rights and needs of patients/clients.
  - b. Physical therapist assistants shall make sound decisions in collaboration with the physical therapist and within the boundaries established by laws and regulations.
  - c. Physical therapist assistants shall demonstrate integrity in their relationships with patients/clients, families, colleagues, students, other health care providers, employers, payers, and the public.
  - d. Physical therapist assistants shall enhance their competence through the lifelong acquisition and refinement of knowledge, skills, and abilities.
  
7. The analyses for ethical decision making include:
  - a. Gathering all of the facts
  - b. Identifying the professional obligations
  - c. Deciding on the appropriate approach and take action
  - d. Asking for others' opinions on the results of the action