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Introduction

The release of medical record of patients are protected by the law and therefore, it is required that medical practitioners should adhered to these laws when releasing medical records. In the state of New York, the laws which guide the Release of Information (ROI) was enacted to ensure that the privacy and security of information are of high quality. The ROI law captured in the document “Privancy and security Guidance for Qualified Entities referred as 10NYCRR & 300.3 (b) (1) is a statewide network, which protect all the medical information. However, this paper looks into the role of nursing practitioner in ensuring that the ROI is adhered to.

The Entities Guidance law improves the health deliver for the people of New York because it ensures that the information held by healthcare facilities are only used for medical purpose. However, the medical assistant plays a critical role in keeping the document safe from any access. The medical assistance has the role in supervision the information to ensure that all the records are kept and not released from the hospital. As state by Patterson (2014), medical assistant monitors the workflow and therefore, they are a key in safe guiding the information. However, the law requires that the MA monitors and check all the documents to make sure that information are not missing from the healthcare facilities. This include accessing the healthcare information require consent from authorized person. This could medical assistant and any other authorized person by the healthcare facility and therefore, the role of medical assistance and senior staff at the healthcare facility is essential to the safety and protection of healthcare records.

However, the law attributes a clear method, which should be used for legal purpose when the law is not followed. This has made it difficult for people to violate the law. According to the act, the medical assistance are required to provide supervision of the outcome of various treatments being offered and in the process ensured that the information are not leaked to the public regard the healthcare status of patients. Therefore, it is important to ensure that every medical assistance have efficient supervision.

Based on the analysis it is evident that there are several occasions where the information had been release to the public without the consent of the patients. This is a clear testimony that the law is not properly and effectively being implemented. It is also evidence that the monitoring strategies is poor and therefore, it requires amendment to make sure that accountability is improved to make sure that the patients’ information are protected. This can be improved by emending laws related to ICT and information security. Most medical records are kept in software and because the sate still does not effective ICT and data security laws, there are high chances of medical record violation. The state of New York therefore, requires an effective medical information security law to help in addressing the problem of ROI.

In conclusion, the ROI law enacted by the state of New York has helped in addressing cases of patients’ security and privacy being violated. It has helped the state to build several cases and help victims of violation. However, more need to be done since there are several loopholes, which exist and this make it difficult to safeguard the information held by healthcare facilities. It is therefore, important for the state and healthcare facilities to focus on ICT and data security to improve the protection of medical records of patients. The role of medical assistance should be enhance to give their a voice or power in monitoring the digital content of healthcare records.

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