

Boundaries In The Doctor – Patient Relationship

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- Nature Of Helping Relationships: Trust
- A safe and secure place to bring problem and expect help
- To be dependent, vulnerable and open while protected from harm
- Conditions For Therapeutic Impact
- Empathy – Understanding, Acceptance, Refrain from Judgment
Listening, Attention, Nonverbal, Rapport
- Caring – Good Will, Concern for Patient’s Health, Patient’s Needs
Matter Most (The only answer to the question “Why are we
here?”)
- Genuine – Be Yourself within the Professional D.C. Role
Not Phony, Not Put On,
- These conditions allow therapy to occur
- These conditions encourage the patient to be open, trusting,
vulnerable and influenced
- A Double Edge Relationship: Power can be used for Healing or
Abuse