

Supplementary table: Scenarios as described in Ethical Conflict Nursing Questionnaire-Critical Care Version (ECNQ-CCV) by Falco´-Pegueroles et al.(1)

Scenario	Potentially Conflictive Situations
S1	Administering treatments and/or performing tests that I consider unnecessary because they serve merely to prolong a terminal, irreversible process.
S2	Having to administer treatments and/or carry out procedures without the critical patient, who is conscious, knowing their purpose and the risks involved.
S3	Caring for a patient who I believe should be on an ordinary hospital ward rather than in a critical care unit.
S4	Carrying out interventions that put institutional or health service interests before those of the patient.
S5	Failure to keep a patient’s clinical data confidential by sharing them with third parties or with people who are not directly involved in the patient’s care.
S6	Administering treatments and/or carrying out interventions without the patient’s family knowing the objectives, benefits and risks involved (when the patient has consented to the family being informed).
S7	Realizing that the analgesia and/or sedation being given to the patient is not effective enough and that the patient is suffering.
S8	Using all available technical and/or human resources despite believing that they will produce no significant improvement in the clinical status of the critical care patient.
S9	Working with medical staff who I consider to be professionally incompetent.
S10	Administering treatments and/or carrying out interventions in accordance with the family’s wishes, despite knowing that these clash with the patient’s interests.
S11	Administering treatments and/or carrying out procedures that are too aggressive given the status of the patient, and in so doing causing the patient additional suffering.
S12	Working with a nurse or nursing assistant who I consider to be professionally incompetent.
S13	Acting contrary to my own moral beliefs due to not having enough time to care properly for the patient.
S14	Administering treatments in the context of a clinical trial or research project without, as a nurse, being given all the information I consider necessary to carry out this task.
S15	Finding it difficult to give timely information to the patient and/or his/her family because the medical team discourages nurses from taking the initiative in this regard.
S16	Caring for a patient without knowing whether he or she has made a living will declaration, or if such a document exists not knowing its content.
S17	Administering treatments and/or carrying out procedures without, as a nurse, having been previously involved in the decision to do so.
S18	Failure to respect properly the privacy of the patient’s body when carrying out procedures and/or exploratory tests.
S19	Lacking the means (space) and/or resources (time) that would enable the clinical team to consider the ethical problems they have to face.