

WORKSHEET
ETHICAL PRACTICE IN NURSING

1. List and describe the role of the nurse in terms of patient advocacy.
2. Read the following scenario and answer the questions that follows:

Sarah, a 17-year-old girl, was raised in a very devoted Muslim family. She has followed the rules of her religion all her life and firmly belief in the values of the religion. Two months ago, Sarah was sexually assaulted, and she found out she is pregnant as a result. She has not told her family of her traumatic experience, and she is attending school. She is reliant on her parents for financial support, and is also supported by her father's medical aid fund.

Sarah has come to your medical facility seeking advice on the termination of her pregnancy, without the knowledge of her parents, as she fears they will shun her for the decision she has made.

- 2.1 Define the concept 'Ethical Dilemma'.
- 2.2 Identify an ethical dilemma in the above scenario, referring the applicable ethical principles.
- 2.3 Describe the legal obligations of the nurse related to the above scenario.