Dear Dr. Revell,

I agree that the no cellphone policy is an outdated policy and should be done away with. Healthcare relies heavily on communication via technology. One way that many organizations are improving the chain of communication and enhancing patient care is incorporating healthcare professional’s personal smartphone (Bowman, 2016). This allows the healthcare provider to have access to the patient electronic health records making it easier to review patient information and communicate with other members of the healthcare team. Organizations that have embraced the use of personal smartphones in the healthcare setting has shown to have an increase in communication amongst staff and an improvement of tasks being performed in a timely manner (Bowman, 2016). I feel that the healthcare provider implementing smartphone when caring for patients will enhance patient care.

Even though data has shown that using personal smartphone in the healthcare setting can positive impact patient care many organizations have not adopted this method of communication. The facility where I am employed has a no cellphone policy in place and strictly enforced it. You feel that with the new data showing the benefits of using personal smartphone that facilities should be more open to changing this policy in the future.

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