

RealCareer™ Employability Skills Program

Sports Medicine Careers

Teamwork

Scenario: Mary, a physical therapist, is working with Jonathan, a runner who injured his ankle in a recent trail running event. Todd, Mary's coworker, walks by and Mary asks him to help her set up a piece of therapy equipment that she needs to use. Todd rolls his eyes, complains about having to help her with a simple task, and then begins to criticize Mary's therapy approach in front of Jonathan, the other therapists, and patients.

Points of view to consider

- Mary, the physical therapist
 - Jonathan, the patient
 - Todd, the coworker
 - The other therapists and patients
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Key questions

- Why is teamwork important in a professional setting?
- How might Mary be feeling in this situation?
- What other responses could Todd have chosen?
- What effects might this encounter have on Jonathan, the other therapists, and the patients?