Points for discussion

• Introduction
• Professional Conduct
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  – Need
  – Enforcement
• Closure
Professional Conduct

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- Misconduct is conduct that is unlawful conduct
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- **Good** – Respectable, moral, upright, noble, blameless
- **Graceful** – elegant, beautiful
- **Honourable** – admirable, praiseworthy
- **Worthy** – well-intentioned, commendable

“Proud”
• Profession?
• = “professional designation” means a title or status conferred by a professional body in recognition of a person’s expertise and right to practise in an occupational field.
• A profession is an occupation founded upon specialized educational training, the purpose of which is to supply disinterested objective counsel and service to others.
Examples of unprofessional conduct and misconduct derived from cases reported to the SANC

- **Unprofessional Conduct**
  - Failure to keep clear and accurate record
  - Failure to advocate for your patient
  - Acting beyond your scope of practice
  - Bringing the Nursing Profession into disrepute

- **Misconduct**
  - Assault of a patient or colleague
  - Theft or fraud
# Enforcement

- You’ve all heard the story: It’s the law.
- Nursing Act 2005, Act No. 33 of 2005
- Preliminary Investigation Committee
- Professional Conduct Committee
- Council
- Appeal
Closure

- Lets all go back and promote the pride, trots, and ukuzazi that flows from true professional practice.

😊Thank you😊