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Answer each of the 5 questions below, based on what the ACA Ethics Code recommends, for each of these counseling situations. Make sure you list the exact section and title of the code you used a basis for determining your answer. For example, if I was considering using an experimental therapeutic procedure, that was recently found to have bad negative consequences, the code I would consult is C.7.c Harmful Practices.

- 1. I have a client that reports that she is being physically abused by her husband and is in a domestic violence situation. I don't want to make things worse with her husband, so I refrain from reporting her diagnosis in my chart and to the insurance company. Is this ok according to the ACA Ethics Code?
- 2. Can I fax a bill to my clients office because he has missed the last 3 payments for his therapy sessions?
- 3. As a psychology teacher, I'm wondering if it's ethically appropriate to present to my students during class, case studies of clients I have worked with?
- 4. I just received information about my new client, and I recognize her name. She is a women a friend of mine knows, because their kids go to school together. My friend has mentioned this women is going through a messy divorce and has made comments about her husband in Facebook posts. Is it okay for me to do some background research and review the posts on Facebook before meeting with her?
- 5. A client that I've been working with for several months now, has reported things are going really well with the new relationship he started a couple weeks ago. It is going so well, in fact, that he believes they are ready to begin a sexual relationship. Knowing the client is HIV positive, I ask him how he is going to approach the subject with his new partner. The client states that he plans to use protection and does not plan to tell his new partner about his disease, at least for a while, for fear of a break up before they "really get to know each other". Do I have a duty to warn?