

Post operative care of patients with kidney transplantation among staff nurses and nursing students

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ABSTRACT:

Background: Kidney transplantation is the treatment of choice for clients with end stage of kidney disease. Kidney transplantation allows the recipient to enjoy a much less restricted life style. The care for the clients undergoing renal transplantation is complex and specialized standard post-operative nursing interventions are applicable with the added consideration of assessing for signs of rejection and prevention of infection. **Objective:** To assess the level of knowledge regarding postoperative care of patients with kidney transplantation among staff nurses and nursing students in Narayana Medical College and Hospital. **Materials and Methods:** Descriptive cross sectional design and convenient sampling technique was followed which included 30 samples. Data was collected using structured questionnaire. Data analysis was done with SPSS. **Results:** The Shows that with regard to level of knowledge regarding post-operative care of patients with kidney transplantation among staff nurses 2(13.3%) had inadequate knowledge, 12(80%) had moderately adequate knowledge and 1(6.7%) had adequate knowledge. Among nursing students 3(20%) had inadequate knowledge, 6(40%) had moderately adequate knowledge and 6(40%) had adequate knowledge. **Conclusions:** The present study concluded that comparing the level of knowledge between staff nurses and nursing students, nursing students have adequate level of knowledge than staff nurses regarding post-operative care of patients with kidney transplantation.

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