

A study to assess the knowledge regarding abdominal examination among third year B.Sc Nursing students at Narayana College of Nursing, Nellore, AP.

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Abstract: Examination is actually the first step of physical examination and key component of diagnostic approach. An abdominal examination is a portion of the physical examination which a physician or nurse uses to clinically observe the abdomen of a patient for signs of disease. The purpose of the abdominal exam is to get more information that could indicate what is causing the patient's symptoms. Objectives: 1. To assess the level of knowledge regarding abdominal examination among third year B.Sc Nursing Students. 2. To find out the association between levels of knowledge regarding abdominal examination among third year B.Sc Nursing Student. Materials and Methods: A quantitative research approach and descriptive research design was adopted. 100 participants who fulfill the inclusion criteria were selected by non probability convenient sampling technique. Structured questionnaires were used to collect data. The data was analyzed in terms of objectives of the study using descriptive and inferential statistics. Results: Out of 4(4%) were got A+ grade, 25(25%) were got A grade, 20(20%) were got B+ grade, 36(36%) were got B grade, 12(12%) were got C grade, 3(3%) were got D grade knowledge on abdominal examination. Key words: abdominal examination, Nursing students.