ABSTRACT

Electronic documentation for operating room nurses, consisting of NANDA nursing diagnosis and NIC nursing interventions.

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Introduction: The operating department was about to begin the documentation of OR nursing, electronically. The Oslo university college, advanced operating room nursing, was about to begin the education of the classification system. Before the study took place OR nurse students tested care plan template. This evaluated version was used in the study for two months.

Purpose: To develop, evaluate and implement a care plan template that promotes systematic and comprehensive documentation of OR nursing care, and examine if the template is in accordance with today’s practice. Further, the purpose was to show the importance of the OR nurse’s independent health care.

Design and Methods: Explorative and descriptive design, qualitative methods using focus group interviews. 18 OR nurses were randomly selected. 16 participated.

Results: The developed care plan was a useful aid in the documentation process, and promoted OR nurses independent health care and decisions. The findings led to a reduction of the number of NANDA nursing diagnosis from 16 to 8 and NIC nursing interventions from 30 to 20.

Conclusion: The evaluation indicates that the OR care plan template is in accordance with OR nurses clinical practice and their documentation. The OR care plan template is a contribution to promote, understand and make consciousness about the nursing perspective.

Key words: Operating room nurse, electronic documentation, NANDA, NIC, DIPS.

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