



Assess the attitude of first year nursing students towards nursing profession in selected nursing colleges, Nellore

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Abstract

The study aims are to assess the attitude of first year nursing students towards nursing profession and to associate the attitude of first year students regarding nursing profession with selected socio demographic variables. The quantitative research approach and descriptive design was adopted for the study. The study was conducted in Narayana College of Nursing and Sree Narayana Nursing College in Nellore. 30 first year B.Sc. nursing and GNM students were selected by using simple random sampling Technique. Attitude scale was used for collecting the data from samples. Data analysis done by using descriptive and inferential statistics. The results revealed that out of 30 samples 21 (70%) students had positive attitude and remaining 9(30%) students are having negative attitude towards nursing profession. The study concluded that majority of first year nursing students were having positive attitude. Furthermore motivation needed to change the young minds towards caring profession.

Keywords: assess, attitude, first year, nursing students, nursing profession

Introduction

A Profession is an occupation with moral principles that are devoted to the human and social welfare, Nursing is a profession no one factor absolutely differentiates a job from a profession. Nursing is not simply a collection of specific skills and the nurse is not simply a person trained to perform specific tasks and but the difference is important in terms of how nurses practice when we say a person acts "professionally" for example, we imply that the person is conscientious in actions, knowledgeable in the subject and responsible to self and others Nursing helps to attain this objective by giving care to the sick and injured promoting and restoring to health and preventing disease. Professional nursing has a legal aspect. Legally nursing duties consists of meeting the physical, emotional, spiritual and social needs of human beings. It is important to know the attitude of students to modify their behavior thoughts and for bringing good attitude among students.

Problem statement

A study to assess the attitude of first year nursing students towards nursing profession in selected colleges at Nellore.

Objectives

- To assess the attitude of nursing students towards nursing profession
- To associate the level of attitude and socio demographic variables of nursing students

Materials and methods

The present cross sectional descriptive study was conducted to assess the attitude of first year nursing students towards nursing profession in selected nursing colleges at Nellore. 12 B.Sc. nursing students from sree Narayana nursing college and 18 from Narayana College of nursing, out of 18 students 10 students were B.Sc. Nursing and remaining 8 were GNM students, selected by using simple random sampling technique. Informed consent was obtained from the samples. Attitude scale was used for assessing attitude of nursing students towards nursing profession. Data was analyzed by using descriptive and inferential statistics.

Criteria for sample selection

Inclusion Criteria

The inclusion criteria for samples in the present study were the following:

Nursing students those who are joined in 1st year B.Sc. (N) and G.N.M

Who are available at the time of data collection?

Who are willing to participate in study?

Exclusion Criteria

Those who are not present during at the time of data collection.

Not willing to participate in the study.

2nd year, 3rd year and 4th year B.Sc. nursing students.

Description of the Tool

The tool was developed with the help of related literature from various Text books, Journals, Websites, Discussions, and Guidance from Experts

Part 1: Consists of items on demographic data of student nurses like age, religion, course, reasons for selection of nursing profession etc.

Part 2: Consists of attitude scale to assess the attitude of nursing student towards nursing profession.

Plan for data analysis

The data was analyzed in terms of objectives of the study by using descriptive and inferential statistics

Table 1

S. no	Data analysis	Description
1	Descriptive statistics Mean, median, mode	To assess the frequency and percentage distribution of socio demographic variables
2	Inferential statistics Chi square test	To find out association between attitude and socio demographic variables of first year nursing students towards nursing profession

Results

Section – I: Frequency and percentage distribution of demographic variables of nursing students.

Majority of nursing students In respect to age 13 (43.3%) were 18 years and In relation to religion 15 (50%). were Christians, with regards to course 22 (73.3%) are B.Sc. Nursing , 14 (46.6%) were selected based on their own interest, 20 (66.6%) nursing students were got information priorly before joining in to nursing, 15 (50%) were got information from friends

Section-II: Percentage distribution of nursing students based on attitude of nursing students towards nursing profession.

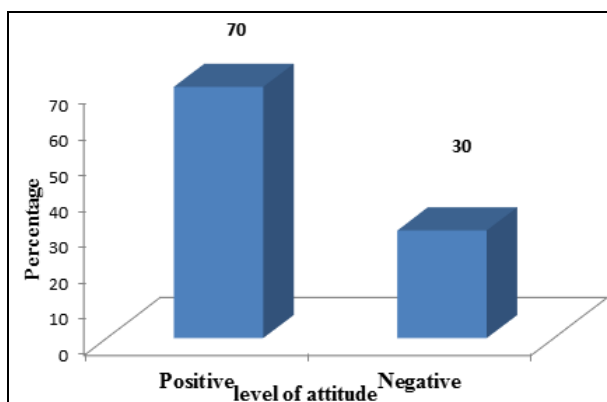


Fig 1

Section-III: Mean and Standard deviation of attitude scores of nursing students

Table 2

Group	Mean	Standard Deviation
1 st Year	71.49	27.6

Section-IV: Association of attitude of nursing students towards nursing profession with their selected socio demographic variables.

There is no association between attitude of nursing students towards nursing profession with their selected socio demographic variables it shows that age, religion, course, information and source of information.

Conclusion

The study findings reveal that majority of students has positive attitude regarding nursing profession. Furthermore education is required for strengthen the positive attitude among the nursing students.

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