

Abstract

The bachelor thesis "Knowledge of non-medical nursing staff in the field of prevention and treatment of decubitus" deals with the general knowledge of nurses in the field of prevention and treatment of decubitus in the internal and surgical wards of Motol University Hospital. Decubitus represents a widespread and increasingly topical problem in hospitalized patients, where it is essential that non-medical nursing staff are oriented in this area and know the latest trends in prevention and treatment.

The aims: The aim of the study is to determine the level of knowledge of nurses in the field of treatment and prevention of decubitus working at the Department of Internal Medicine and Surgery of the 2nd Medical Faculty of Charles University and Motol University Hospital and the 3rd Surgical Clinic of the 1st Medical Faculty of Charles University and Motol University Hospital.

The methods: To collect data for the empirical part, a quantitative survey was conducted using a non-standardized questionnaire. The target group was all nurses working in the standard ward and intensive care unit, the Internal Medicine and Surgery Clinics of the 2nd Medical Faculty of Charles University and Motol University Hospital and the 3rd Clinic of the 1st Medical Faculty of Charles University and Motol University Hospital. A total of 158 completed questionnaires were included in the actual solution.

The results: From the findings so far, it was found that 15 % of respondents from the internal medicine ward and 39 % of respondents from the surgical ward had attended a wound care training course. Respondents who did not take the professional course were 16 % from each department. However, only 5 % of respondents from the internal medicine ward and 9 % from the surgical ward considered taking a professional course.

The conclusion: Based on the evaluation of the survey data, I believe it is important that nurses are given more opportunities to complete a wound care training course. However, it is extremely important that not only the nurses themselves but also their supervisors are actively educated and become familiar with the latest trends for the treatment and prevention of decubitus.

Keywords

prevention of decubitus, treatment of decubitus, patient positioning, decubitus risk assessment, classification of decubitus, patient diet, predilection sites, nurses' knowledge