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**Enhancing Quality And Safety In Nursing Practice Through Journal Club Sharing**

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**Introduction**

To ensure good quality and safe nursing practice, nurses should keep themselves abreast of the latest nursing guidelines and best literatures. Apart from hectic working environment, nurses need to spend time on reviewing huge volume of new guidelines and literatures which newly appeared. Journal club provides a platform for nurses to share the updated knowledge and to discuss the best practice in an effective way. Besides, it encourages interaction and discussion between nurses which can enhance team building and learning from each other. This program aims to establish a journal club for nurses in our ward.

**Objectives**

1. To facilitate nursing staff able to keep up with latest nursing knowledge, guidelines and research findings in order to promote quality & safety and to strive for the best nursing practices
2. To arouse staffs' awareness on updated guidelines and to encourage research utilization
3. To enhance staff development and team building through interaction among nurses

**Methodology**

1. Set up a task force workgroup with different representatives e.g. APNs, RNs, ENs from our ward.
2. Review literatures on setting up a journal club.
3. Discuss among workgroup about implementation plan of journal club in ward.
4. Program details planning by workgroup about meeting venue and time, mode of presentation and topic registry, facilitator arrangement, etc.
5. Design 'Staff opinions survey on Journal Club Sharing Program' to evaluate nurses opinions.
6. Debriefing to ward staff about the program details.
7. Full implementation of program.

8. Conduct survey and evaluate the staff opinions upon this program.

**Result**

Journal Club Sharing program is effective in enhancing quality and safety in nursing practice as all our nurses agreed. It allows nurses to be confidence in applying nursing care to our patients. Also, all our nurses agreed that Journal Club Sharing is beneficial and valuable in pooling the wisdom of the masses through discussions in the meetings. Most of our nurses welcomes this program while the frequency of meetings may decrease to weekly or bi-weekly. In future, more evidence-based practices, literatures sharing, and research utilizations will be encouraged in the meetings.