

◆ Abstract

The purpose of this quantitative study is to explore views of African American critical care nurses regarding family presence during bedside rounds of critically ill patients. Madeleine Leininger's Culture Care theory will serve as the guiding framework for this study. Participants will include 30 African American critical care registered nurses. Following Institutional Review Board approval, and permission from developers, a modified Survey of the Attitudes and Perceptions of Multidisciplinary Team Members of the Medical Surgical Intensive Care Unit Towards Bedside Rounds will be used to collect data. Electronic survey distribution will be conducted using convenience sampling. Descriptive analysis will be used to analyze data. There is a lack of literature addressing minority insights towards nursing care (Santiago, Lazar, Jiang, & Burns, 2014). This study is significant because it provides data about the African American critical care nurses' view toward nursing care.

◆ Research Question

What are the views of the African American critical care nurse regarding family presence during bedside rounding of the critically ill patient?



◆ Introduction

Poor communication between healthcare teams and families in critical care environments contributes to high rates of depression and anxiety among family members (Cody, Sullivan-Bolyai, & Reid-Ponte, 2018). According to Santiago, Lazar, Jiang and Burns (2014), families value communication that provides them with a sense of partnership and involvement in their loved one's care. However, documented nursing perceptions of family presence during critical care bedside rounding indicated most nurses did not like the idea. A study conducted by Santiago et, al. (2014), highlighted that most registered nurses strongly disagreed with family presence during bedside rounds because it would prolong rounding, and reduce information transfer between nurses.

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◆ Planned Methods & Materials

- A Modified Survey of the Attitudes and Perceptions of Multidisciplinary Team Members of the Medical Surgical Intensive Care Unit Toward Family Presence at Bedside Rounds (Santiago, Lazar, Jiang & Burns, 2014) was chosen for this study to assess the views of healthcare providers towards family presence at bedside rounds in an intensive care unit.
- Following approval from the Institutional Review Board (IRB) and permission from developers to use a modified survey, an online post will be published in Black Nurses Rock Facebook page encouraging qualified individuals to participate.
- Data obtained from survey results would be analyzed using descriptive statistics.

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