International Operating Room Nurses' Lived Experiences in Organ Procurement Surgery: A Phenomenological Study

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Outline

- Introduce research background
- Explain data collection and analysis process
- Present and discuss data findings
Organ donation process

1. Organ donor
2. Donor management & allocation
3. Organ procurement
4. Organ transplantation
Research aim

- Exploring the lived experiences of international operating room nurses from non-English speaking backgrounds in multi-organ procurement surgery in Australia
Research Methodology

- Phenomenology - the study of essences of lived experience, to evocate people’s thoughtfulness of life and living, to understand the meaning of being human in everyday world (van Manen, 1984)
Participants – Inclusion criteria

- came from non-English speaking background
- obtained nursing training outside Australia
- had more than 2 years OR experiences in Australia
- had experience in at least one complete multi-organ procurement procedure (from beginning to the end)
Study settings and recruitment

- Monash University Human Research and Ethics Committee (Ref: 2017-8590-10395)

- All participants were recruited by snowball sampling

- The international OR nurses worked at different large tertiary care hospital operating suites work in Australia context
Van Manen’s thematic data analysis (van Manen, 2014)

1. Lived experience description
2. Anecdote
3. Thematisation
4. Phenomenological reflective writing
Methodological reliability and validity

- Identified my preunderstanding of the phenomenon
- Kept reflective journals and personal log
- Adhered with van Manen’s methodological approach
- Reviewed interview data and emerging themes independently and then with supervisors
Participants demographic data

- China, 4
- Ghana, 1
- India, 2
- Indonesia, 1
- Malaysia, 1
- Nigeria, 1
- Philippines, 5
- Russia, 1
- South Korea, 2
Theme 1: The surreal experience of death

- My tragic pain of experiencing death
- Unaccustomed with lifeless human body
Theme 2: Professional and personal challenges

- I was lost for words
- Different beliefs and practices
- A loss of control
Theme 3: Becoming stronger

- This is my way of coping

- There is a special spiritual and emotional rewarding
Theme 4: This is my beliefs, my wishes

- My beliefs
- My wishes
Conclusion

- Providing insight into international OR nurses’ experiences and feelings
- Discussing the challenges that influence their attitudes toward organ procurement
- Exploring international OR nurses’ own way of support and self-coping strategies
- Discovering education and support needs
References


Thank you for listening and participating
Any questions?