

TRUNGTA POOLPOLAMNUAY : A STUDY OF HEAD NURSES' MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES FOR RENDERING NURSING CARE TO ELDERLY PATIENTS IN REGIONAL HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTERS, MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH AS REPORTED BY THEMSELVES. THESIS ADVISOR : ASSO.PROF. PRANOM OTHAGANONT, Ed.D.
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The purposes of this study were to study and compare head nurses' management activities for rendering nursing care to elderly patients in Regional Hospital and Medical Centers, Ministry of Public Health as reported by themselves. The problems of head nurses' management activities for rendering nursing care to elderly patients are also included in this study. The sample consists of 170 head nurses working at the department of Medical, Surgical, Orthopedic, and Ophthalmo-Oto-laryngological. The Questionnaire was constructed by researcher, and was tested for validity and reliability.

The major findings :

1. The management activities for rendering nursing care to elderly patients of head nurses, in overall and in each aspect, were in moderate level.
2. There was statistical significant difference at the .05 level of management activities, in aspect of controlling, between head nurses working at Surgical and Ophthalmo-Oto-laryngological department.
3. There were no statistical significant difference at .05 level of management activities of head nurses classified by their worked experience, educational level, and elderly training experiences.
4. The problems of management activities for rendering nursing care to elderly patients were in moderate level. The first problems of each aspects were as follows : Place and Building was in the aspect of planning. The proportion of personnel and elderly patients was in aspect of organizing, while the number of personnel who had competency in giving nursing care to elderly patients was in the aspect of directing. The knowledge of personnel concerning the construction of working standard was in aspect of controlling.