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The objective of this research was to study knowledge and attitude of staff nurses toward nursing care of transplant patients in Hospitals Bangkok Metropolitan Area. The subjects were classified according to their training, experience and work place.

Two hundred and twenty-two staff nurses with atleast one year caring experience of organ transplant patient were selected for this study. Research instrument was tested for content vailidity and internal reliability.

Major findings were as follow :

Nurses' knowledge of nursing care of transplant patients were at moderate level and the attitude were positive. There were no statistical significant difference at .05 level between knowledge of experienced nurses and less experienced nurses. But when compared by patients' unit, intensive care nurses had more knowledge than post-operative unit nurses. Intensive care nurses and post-operative nurses had more knowledge concerning pre and post-operative care than operating room nurses. Trained nurses had higher knowledge score than untrained nurses at .05 level. But their attitude were not different.

Consideration nurses's attitude toward government service for transplant patients untrained nurses had better attitude than trained nurses. Specify in organ maintainance, operating room nurses had better attitude than intensive nurses and post operative nurses. Moreover post-operative nurses had better attitude than operating room nurses in nursing care of transplant patients.