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The purposes of this research were to study health counseling service of the professional nurses in the Hospitals Under the Jurisdiction of Ministry of Public Health. The study also to study the variables that being able to predict the professional nurses' service in providing health counseling. These variables were identified as nursing experiences, nurses' beliefs concerning health counseling, nurses' perception towards organizational supports and empathy. Research sample were 162 professional nurses who had attended health counseling program organized by the Nursing Devision, Ministry of Public Health. The research instruments were questionnairs developed by the researcher. Stepwise Multiple Regression Analysis was used for data analysis.

The major findings were as follows ;-

- 1. The professional nurses provided health counseling service in the middle and high level.
- 2. The professional nurses' service in providing health counseling was positively and significantly correlated with nurses' perception towards organizational supports, and nurses' be iefs concerning health counseling at the .01 level, and it was also positively and significantly correlated with nursing experiences at the .05 level. There were no correlations between nursing positions, empathy, and the professional nurses' service in providing health counseling.
- 3. The 18.19 percentage ( $R^2 = .1819$ ) of variance in professional nurses' service in providing health counseling were predicted by nurses' perception towards organizational supports, and nurses' beliefs concerning health counseling at .001 level significantly.