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The purposes of this study were to examine background of patients related to nursing activities and psychiatric patients' behavior before and during the use of therapeutic seclusion, and to compare the nurses' and patients' perception concerning the use of therapeutic seclusion. The research samples consisted of 41 professional nurses and 56 psychiatric patients selected by purposive random sampling. Five research instruments were used. There were 1) the patients' record analysis form, 2) the observation record, 3) the nurses' perception, concerning the use of therapeutic seclusion scale, 4) the patients' perception concerning the use of therapeutic seclusion scale, and 5) the mental status questionnaire. The reliability of the second, the third and the forth instrument were, .89 .78 and .70, respectively.

The major findings were as followed :-

- l. Before the use of therapeutic seclusion, the largest and the second to the largest group of patients (31.43, 12.50 percent) exhibited the behavior of agitation and attacking others, respectively. During this period the largest and the second to the largest group of patients (37.50, 35.71 percent) received the nursing care, namely verbal intervention and giving prescribed medication. Moreover, the majority of patients were taken to the seclusion by nurse aides (89.29 percent) and by the decision of the professional nurses (83.93 percent).
- 2. As the patients were taking into the seclusion room the largest group of patients) were calm (44.34 percent), no resistance (44.64 percent), and had not injured (100.00 percent).
- 3. The mean score of therapeutic nursing activities provided during the patients were in the seclusion room was significantly higher than the routine nursing activities at the .001 level.
- 4. The mean score of perception of the patients concerning of therapeutic seclusion was statistically significant lower than that of the professional nurses at the .001 level.