Examination of professional attitudes of nurses employee at a university hospital

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Objective: This descriptive study was implemented in order to examine nurses' professional attitudes and affecting factors.

Methods: The population of the study consists of all nurses who worked at a university hospital. Total of 132 nurses were recruited in the study. Data were collected by using a questionnaire and Professional Attitudes Inventory. The minimum score obtained from the scale was 32, the maximum score obtained from the scale was 160. Written consent was obtained from researcher who developed the scale. Distribution of numerical and percentage were calculated. Average, ANOVA and, t test, correlation test were used in analysis of the data.

Results: The mean score of scale was 134.97±16.01. Of all 24.2% of nurses have been working for 1-3 years, 27.3% of them have been working for 4-10 years, 32.6% of them have been working for 11-21 years, 15.9% of them have been working for 22-34 years. The mean working duration in profession of nurses is 11.88±8.45 years.

Conclusion: It was determined that age group, gender, working time in the profession, education level of the nurses does not affect the level of professional attitudes, but it was found that the clinic in which they work can influence the professional attitude of the nurse. As a result, it was determined that the professional attitudes of all nurses participated in the study was in high level and that the professional attitudes of nurses who were working in surgical clinics was higher than those who were working in internal clinics.

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