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Promoting research utilization among Nurses: Barriers, facilitators and strategies

Throughout the history, nursing profession played a distinct leadership role in improving care through the application of research findings in practice. Therefore, Research Utilization (RU) is considered a pillar in nursing practice. Some nursing scholars describe research utilization as the use of research findings in any and all aspects of one's work as a registered Nurse. Others define research utilization as the use of research findings to support clinical decision-making. However, despite the plethora of studies that aim to explore the reseach utilization from various perspectives, still there is a significant ambiguity surrounds the process of transforming research knowledge into practice. This may explain why the time lag between the generation of evidence and putting it into clinical practice is 15-20 years as described by the Institute of Medicine report (2001)-Crossing the Quality Chasm. The workshop is to identify the perceived barriers and facilitators (system-related, Nurse-related, and research-related) to successful research utilization as well as to present up-to-date, evidence-based strategies to overcome the most commen barriers.

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