Abstract

Bachelor thesis focuses on the role of a nursing assistant in providing nursing care. The main goal of the thesis is to describe daily tasks and the role of the nursing assistant in treating patients and in nursing team. Another goal of the thesis is finding the way of collaboration between nursing assistants and nurses at standard orthopedic unit, where I work as a nursing assistant. Theoretical part focuses on team collaboration, describes medical team and the competences of a nursing assistant including necessary education to work as a one. In the beginning of the research part the applied methods are described. Practical part describes the standard orthopedic unit, where the research was taken. It also describes involved patients, personnel and the daily routine of nursing assistants. In the last part, the research is described. For data collection a qualitative methodology with an ethnography and autoethnography was applied. This method was chosen because of my personal role in the described unit. Data collection includes detailed records and description of six shifts on the unit. The result analyses the most important tasks of a nursing assistant who has an impact on daily smooth routine. As part of tasks description, several situations, which had happened, are described. Those situations highlight the importance of communication and collaboration between members of nursing team. As a result of the facts the high quality nursing care may be provided.

Key words:

Collaboration, nursing assistant, nurse, role of a nursing assistant, nursing team, care.