Abstract:

We have chosen as the topic of the BSc thesis “Nursing care for a patient on combined dialysis treatment”. During our care for the patient, who had been originally put on continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis, the patient was transferred onto haemodialysis. Based on this exceptional case of a patient with chronic renal failure, the aim of the thesis was to demonstrate complex nature and specific aspects of nursing care and educational needs of both treatment methods and to compare number of complications associated with each. We chose the form of a case report which appeared to us appropriate for specification of the nursing care. Principal finding of our work is the fact that incidence of complications in patients on continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis is much higher than is usually stated in educational materials and other works dealing with similar topics. Education is therefore a very important component of nursing care for the patient.

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