An Exploration of Spiritual Care of Home Visiting Nurses for Patients with Advanced Cancer Chizuru Nagata, Aiko Tanaka, Rosanna McMaster

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Purpose

This study aimed to explore the spiritual care process of home visiting nurses for patients in terminal phase of advanced cancer.

Methods

Semi-structured interviews were conducted, and data were analyzed by modified grounded theory approach.

CLINICAL REASONING TO CLARIFY SPIRITUAL PAIN

Conclusion

This study revealed home visiting nurses provide spiritual care based on end-of-life total care and the care process was created by clinical reasoning.

Future research recommendations include the development of a questionnaire which can test this model of care and compare home visiting nurses with hospital based nurses in total end-of-life care. both nationally and internationally.

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Achieving spiritual care

Team debriefing

Integrating care

Preparing for timely intervention

Grieving process

Clarifying treatment

Establishing therapeutic relationship

Acceptance

Determining level of readiness

Remaining at home

Managing daily activities

Decreasing family distress

Alleviating pain

Patient-centered

Being respectful

End-of-life total care

Intervention Planning

Assessment

Evaluation

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Nursing Process