Barriers Interfering on Students Performance at practical Training regarding Maternal and Newborn Health Course

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Abstract

Background: Clinical education is the foundation of nursing education. Students can perform well in clinical settings because theory and practise are linked. The elements that limit the quality of the clinical experience are identified as practical training barriers. Aim:- The purpose of this study was to determine the obstacles to students' performance in practical training for maternal and neonatal courses. Design a correlational descriptive design. Suez Canal University is located in a technical nursing institute. Sample:. This study included 458 nursing students engaged in a maternal and neonatal health course. Tools: -Tool I. The evaluation of demographic data was included. Assessment of a practical training obstacle in a technical institute's lab, part 3: Evaluation of practical training barriers in obstetrics and gynaecology departments. Tool 2: An observational checklist for students' performance on four skills (abdominal examination, vaginal inspection, handling procedure, and perineal care). **Result:**-. The majority of the students (97.4%) feel that the number of students in the lab is un adequate to spse in lab. In addition, (94.1%) of respondents said. A sufficient quantity of instructors to train students. Approximately (83.8%), of students face hospital hurdles. The students are not permitted to practise this operation by the doctor. In addition, (78.2%) percent of the students polled agreed on the availability of cases and the number of students. Conclusion:-. Apparently insufficient number of students to lab space was one of the impediments impeding student achievement in the lab. Hospital hurdles included the fact that the number of patients was insufficient in comparison to the number of students. **Recommendation:** It is suggested that open channels between technical nursing institutions and clinical training areas be established in order to promote learning during practical training and communication with nurses and physicians.

Key words: barriers, practical training, students' performance

1.Introduction

Maternity and gynaecological nursing is a discipline of nursing science that deals with the care of women during pregnancy, labour, and disease and treatment of the female reproductive system, as well as other related areas.(RA, RAS, AH, & OA, 2018). Nursing students develop into competent professionals through their study and clinical practise experiences, which prepare them to offer quality health care and promote women's health (Hagqvist, Oikarainen et al. 2020). Nursing instruction Nursing students develop into competent professionals through their study and clinical practise experiences, which prepare them to offer quality health care and promote women's health (Hagqvist, Oikarainen et al. 2020). Maternity nursing education is a combination of theoretical and practical learning experiences that allow nursing students to gain the information, skills, and attitudes necessary to provide nursing care. Nursing students' clinical training is regarded as the foundation of nursing practise. Nursing students require help and guidance in order to develop into responsible, accountable, and independent professionals capable of working within the limits of their profession. The

adequacy and competency of nurses and midwives will help the government achieve its goal of improving health outcomes. (Gemuhay, Kalolo, Mirisho, Chipwaza, & Nyangena, 2019). One of the ongoing problems in clinical education is the gap between theoretical knowledge as taught in the classroom and what the students experience in clinical settings (Factor, Matienzo, & de Guzman, 2017).

The performance of students' affect negatively by students' behaviors in clinical practice as inability to demonstrate knowledge and skills, attitude problems

, unprofessional unprofessional behavior, and poor communication skills with patient and clinical instructors, not asking questions, overconfidence as well as lack of confidence, unmotivated to learn or to work (Chunta and Custer 2018). (Chunta & Custer, 2018).

Significance of the study:

The quality Good performance of nursing students during their training period and graduate nurses in health care providers reveals the quality of education. The principles observed within the practise of professional standards are the competencies

of nurses. Customers are currently witnessing substandard nursing practise, which has

resulted in an upsurge in public complaints. As a result, the study was expected to present a variety of sources of observed impediments to low academic performance in nursing education. The findings are likely to provide insight into the factors that contribute to poor nursing education or academic performance (Masenga 2015).

The aim of the study;-sThe aim of the study is to determine the barriers to students' success in practical training. maternal and newborn course at a technical institute of nursing Suez Canal University.

2. Subjects and Method

Study design: a descriptive cross-sectional design was used in this study.

The sample of the study:

Formula (Z,1.96, P, 504, E, 1.36, N is population proportion (72.5%) (RA et al., 2018)

researcher and processes modified by the researcher, assess impediments to practical training in obstetrics and gynaecology departments.

Total of 458 nursing students studying maternal and newborn health course was enrolled in this study which recruited according the following formula and students availability. Convenient sample

Total number of students: 458

Study sample :- A total of 458 nursing students are pursuing a degree in maternity and neonatal health. Students in this study were enrolled in a health course depending on the formula below and their availability. Obtainable sample

Tools of data collection:

Tool (1):

As part of the process, two elements were involved. Part I included information such as age and gender. The assessment barrier of practical training at a technical institute's lab was discussed in Part II (it included fourteen questions) Part II: Using tests devised by the

Tool II:- observational checklist:- utilized to assess students at Suez Canal University's Technical Institute of Nursing (2010). It is used to evaluate students' performance through the skills

Scoring system:

utilized to assess students at Suez Canal University's Technical Institute of Nursing (2010). It is used to evaluate students 'performance through the .

Students' responses to this tool will include done (1 point) and not done (0 point) responses. The whole amount is divided into the following:-:-

- Unsatisfied--< 60% of total practice score.
- Satisfied to some extent ------60-<75% of total practice scores.
- Satisfied ----≥75% of total practice scor

(Rasha, et al., 2018)

Reliability of the Tool:

A jury of five experts in the field revised the instrument to ensure clarity, relevance, applicability, comprehensiveness ,understanding, and simplicity of use. The application during practical training in obstetrics and gynaecology departments..

Administrative design:

Before beginning the study, the Scientific Research, Ethical Committee, Faculty of

changes were made in accordance with their suggestions. Cronbach's alpha was used to determine the dependability of the evaluation tools.

Field work:

Students began demonstrating abilities in a maternal and newborn health course at the start of the academic year, followed by practical training in hospitals. Observing. Ob Students' performance levels are assessed during each process by observing them and documenting their results in an observational checklist (abdominal examination – perineal care-handling – vaginal inspection).

Students were given a self-administered questionnaire to measure the barrier during practical training at the nursing institute S.C.U. The researcher and her colleagues spent fifty minutes to accomplish this stage. Students were given a second questionnaire after each process was described to assess obstacles to skill

Nursing, Suez Canal University gained investigator approval. The directors of the Technical Institute of Nursing and the management of Suez Canal hospitals received an official written consent letter from the

Dean of Suez Canal Nursing Faculty outlining the study's goal.

Ethical considerations:

Before using the techniques to establish confidence and trust, each student was told what the study's goal was. Before participating in the study, each student gave their verbal consent. The information was kept private and was coded. Every student has the right to drop out of school at any time.

Statistical design:.

The acquired data were organised, updated, tabulated, and summarised using the statistical package for social science (SPSS) programme. (The following test was used to test for significance depending on the type of data.) The results were presented in appropriate tables, figures, and graphics.

The statistical techniques employed were as follows:

Percentage

Following vaginal inspection, nearly a fifth of the students (20.3%) were satisfied, and more than a quarter (31.2%) were satisfied. Only 48.5 percent of studying pupils are unsatisfied, according to statistics. Less than a fifth of students (18.6%) were satisfied with abdominal grips, less than half of

- Mean score degree \overline{X} .
- Standard deviation SD.
- X 2 chi-square test
- Proportion probability of error (P- value)
- R, test (Correlation Coefficient)

3. Results

Table (1) shows that the age of the studied technical students ranged from 18-20 years old with the Mean \pm SD age` 18.46 \pm .50 years, while more than half of them are female gender and the majority of them are from rural residence.

Table (2): found that more than a quarter (24.9%) of study students were satisfied with perineal, skill, and that this was the highest percent of the students' practise. Also, more than a fifth (26%) of students were satisfied with their acceptance. Furthermore, nearly half of the pupils (46.1%) are dissatisfied.

students (44.3%) were satisfied with application handling skill, and less than a third of students (34.55%) were satisfied with application handling skill, leaving less than half of students (37.1%) unsatisfied.

table (3) shows that more than 75% of studied students appreciate studding skills

while more than 76% of studied students agree about availability of equipment in perineal skill, but the majority of studied students doesn't agree about availability of equipment in handling procedure .most of studied students agree about number of students are not appropriate to lab space . also number of instructor are not appropriate to number of students.

Table (4) shows that more than 74.7% of studied students demonstrate that the patients agree that students practice the skill with them .while the majority of students agree about that the doctor don't allows students to practice the skills with patients .in addition 98% of studied students agree about nurse doesn't allow students to practice skill with patients . Also 75.8% of studied students agree that the instructor not observes the student while practice the procedure. more than two quarter of studied students.

(Abbasi, Rabiei et al. 2018) "found that the most significant impediments faced by students were a lack of motivation and willingness, a lack of adequate academic understanding, and a lack of self-confidence.

According to the findings of (Jahanpour, Azodi et al. 2016), Students

Table (5) Shows statistically significant between total barriers and total practice p-value < .001.

4. Discussion:

Evidence shows that students in clinical learning environments are often unable to match the theoretical content learned in the classroom with what they are actually doing in practise, and as a result, they are unable to provide competent care. There are numerous obstacles in clinical settings, and some of the factors that contribute to theory-practice gaps are system inefficiency, lack of funding, and lack of resources. (Hashemiparast, Negarandeh, & Theofanidis, 2019)

Indeed, the research findings revealed that "When Teaching" discovered that in general, 52.7 percent of nursing students from all colleges agreed that clinical student learning is of interest to them. Furthermore,

regarded their interactions with their classmates in the classroom as nice and fulfilling. In a study titled "Explore Barriers that Prevent Student Nurses Practical Training," (AE, AR, et al. 2018) concluded that students had neutral satisfaction with the instructional techniques and equipment used in simulation were useful and effective.

In contrast, (Saifan, Safieh, et al. 2015) reported that numerous students explained that the laboratories were not well equipped to teach nursing students for the real-world clinical situation. Furthermore, according to (Tiwaken, Caranto, et al. 2015) in their study "The real world: Lived experiences of student nurses during clinical practise," the availability of school programmes, library references, comfortable classrooms, and fast internet access were all deemed to have a high impact on the academic performance of student nurses. While the opposing outcome (De Bellis, Sanarica et al. **2018)** revealed that 63.9 percent of students said lab equipment didn't match the required student competencies...

Furthermore, (Masenga 2015) found that (60%) of respondents cited a lack of appropriate time for both clinical and skills

more than half of the students said they did not receive adequate support in the clinical setting. In the current study, instructors advise and support students in practical training and rectify problems with it, ensuring that the explanation of the material is clear. skills reaches the students, whether from a practical

laboratory practise as a contributing cause to nursing students' poor academic performance.

Furthermore, current findings are consistent with findings showing nearly all of the students tested said that the number of instructors is insuff 'icient to train students in re-demonstration of abilities.

This is in line with the findings of (Masenga 2015), who discovered Factors Influencing Low Income.

Nurses' Academic Achievement The majority of students said that their schools have an insufficient amount of teaching professionals.

Moreover Furthermore, (Mohammad Jad 2020) reported that (67%) of participants agree that the instructor directs and guides students during the delivery of nursing care. While (Saifan, Safieh et al. 2015) found that

or theoretical side, as well as ensuring that students can perform the skill independently.

Furthermore, the current study's findings conflict with those of (Shadadi, Sheyback et al. 2018) who reported a substantial number of students in internship groups in their study "The challenges of

clinical education in nursing: A systematic review..

5. Conclusion:

The following conclusion was drawn from the previously mentioned study findings: there were numerous barriers significantly interfering with the performance of technical nursing students in a maternal and newborn health course at a technical institute of nursing. These barriers included lab barriers such as the number of students not fitting into the lab space during re-demonstration of skills, and the number of instructors not fitting into the number of students. Additionally, there are hospital barriers because teachers do not watch all students in the clinical area during practise skills. There is a negative relationship between impediments and student performance during maternal and infant practical trainin health course at a technical institute of nursing.

6. Recommendations:

Based on the finding of this study, the researcher recommended that:-

For institutions:

- 1- Provides an appropriate lab environment (space and equipment) for student instruction.
- 2- Effective management of the technical nursing institution and the clinical training area in order to support learning during practical training (serve the place, communication with nurses and physions).
- 3- Hire additional employees to fill up the gaps and improve educational and practical training, as well as student clinical follow-up. For training area agency:
- 1- Work together to provide nursing graduates who are capable of achieving agency goals and dealing with patients.

Table (1) Distribution of demographic characteristics of the studied technical students n=(485):-

	Total Sample							
Variables	(n = 458)							
	N	%						
Age (Years)								
Range	18-	20						
	18.46	5±.50						
Mean \pm SD								
Gender								
Male	214	46.7						
Female	244	53.3						
Residence								
Urban	100	21.8						
Rural	358	78.2						

Table (2): Precentage distribution satisfactory level of studied technical students' practice

	levels of practice score (458)								
Variables		fied		fied to	Unsatisfied				
	No	%	No	%	No	%			
Abdominal grips	85	18.6	203	44.3	170	37.1			
Handling	84	18.3	158	34.5	216	47.2			
Perineal care	114	24.9	133	26	211	46.1			
Vaginal examination	93	20.3	143	31.2	222	48.5			

Table (3) Distribution of lab barriers interfering with studied student in procedure (n=458):

Lab barriers	Vaginal ex.		Abdominal grip		Handling		Peineal care	
	Yes	No 0.	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	No.(%	No.(%)	No.(%)	No.(%	No.(%)	No.(%)	No.(%)	No.(%)
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1-The desire to learn the	301	154	308	150	234	224	313	145
skill and to know the stages	66.4%	33.6%	67.2%	32.8%	51.1%	48.9%	68.3%	31.7%
of progress of pregnancy.								
2-Appreciate studding this	125	333	312	146	241	217	345	113
procedure	27.5%	72.5%	68.1%	31.9%	52.6%	47.4%	75.3%	24%
3-Not ashamed from re -	134	324	85	373	116	342	130	328
demonstrate this procedure	29.3%	70.7%	18.6%	81.4%	25.3%	74.7%	28.4%	71.6%
in front of your colleague.			18.0%					
4-The availability of	327	131	261	197	83	375	349	109
laboratory instrument for	71.4%	28.%	57%	43%	18.3%	81.9%	76.2%	23.8%
this procedure.								
5-The laboratory instrument	347	131	352	106	328	130	336	122
well functional	71.4%	28.6%	76.9%	23.1%	71.6%	28.4%	73.4%	26.6%
6-The number of students	12	446	107	351	85	373	95	363
appropriates to the lab area.	2.6%	97.4%	23.4%	76.6%	18.6%	81.4%	20.7%	79.3%

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350	108	326	96	376	82	74.2	118
76.4%	23.6%	79%	21%	82.1%	17.9%		25.8%
27	431	92	366	82	376	334	124
5.9%	94.1%	20.1%	79.9%	17.9%	82.1%	72.9%	27.1%
394	64	76.6	145	370	88	342	116
86%	14%		31.7%	80.8%	19.2%	74.7%	25.3%
400	58	384	74	372	86	343	115
87.3%	12.7%	83.8%	16.2%	81.2%	18.8%	74.9%	25.1%
306	152	361	107	181	277	325	133
66.8%	33.2%	78.8%	23.4%	39.50%	60.5%	71%	29%
278	180	357	101	350	108	355	103
60.7%	39.3%	77.9%	22.1	76.4%	23.6%	77.5%	22.5%
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Table (4) Distribution of hospital barriers interfering with studied student in procedure (n=458):

	Vaginal ex.		Abdominal grip		Handling		Prineal care	
Hospital barriers	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
F	No.(%	No.(%	No.(%	No.(%	No.(%)	No.(%	No.(%)	No.(%)
The patient agreement to practice this procedure.	116	342	251	207	258	200	251	207
	25.3%	74.7%	54.8%	45.2%	56.3%	43.7%	54.8%	45.2%
The doctor allows the students to practice this procedure.	74 16.2%	384 83.8%	242 52.8%	216 47.2%	223 48.7%	235 51.3%	242 52.8%	47.2%
The nurse allows the students to practice procedures.	9 2%	449 98%	230 50.2%	228 49.8%	255 55.7%	203 44.3%	230 50.2%	228 49.8%
The instructor observes the student while practice the procedure.	158	300	111	347	302	156	111	347
	34.5%	65.5%	24.2%	57.8%	65.9%	34%	24.4%	75.8%
The hospital working hours sufficient to train students.	295	163	354	104	370	88	344	114
	64.4%	35.6%	77.3%	22.7%	80.0%	19.2%	75.1%	24.9%
The availability of cases the number of students.	112	346	100	358	312	140	110	348
	24.5%	75.3%	21.8%	78.2%	69.4%	30.6%	24 %	76%
The availability of instrument to practice this procedure.	113	345	361	97	260	198	321	137
	24.7%	75.3%	78.8%	21.2%	56.8%	43.2%	70.1%	29.9%
The applicability of the procedure on real situation .	128	330	225	23.3	162	296	118	340
	27.9%	72.1%	49.1%	50.9%	35.4%	64.6%	25.8%	74.20%
The fear from practice this procedure to prevent complication to mother and fetus.	286	172	354	104	351	107	354	104
	62.4%	37.6%	77.3%	22.7%	76.6%	23.4%	77.3%	22.7%

Factor	N	Mean ± SD	Pearson correlation (r)	P
Total Barriers	458	53.79±5.80		

64.09±13.7

Table (5): relation between students' total barriers and their total 'practice

Pearson correlation (r test), p value < 0.05.

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Total Practice

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