

REPORT ON 7th NATIONAL CONFERENCE

NARAYANA COLLEGE OF NURSING, NELLORE

THEME: CREATING MASS AWARENESS ON GRANTS TO RESEARCH AMONG NURSES

Narayana College of Nursing has conducted National Conference on creating mass awareness of nurses regarding nursing research and education sponsored by ICMR, New Delhi. The conference was conducted in the auditorium of Narayana Medical Institutions on 20-01-2017. The programme commenced at 9 am with prayer song. After welcome song, classical dance welcomed the gathering with its mesmerizing grace. All the dignitaries are welcomed onto the dais. Dr. Radha Saini, Fellow UICC, Geneva, was the chief guest. Special guests like Dr. Subramanyam, Director of Narayana Medical Institutions, Dr. Subba Rao, Administrative officer, Narayana Medical College Hospital, Dr. Rama Mohan, Additional Medical Superintendent, Narayana Medical College Hospital, Dr. Vedhavyas, Sr. Research fellow, Narayana Medical Institutions and Mrs. Sumathi Devi, observer from APNMC. They were welcome with colourful bouquet. The dignitaries' have lighted the lamp to light up the conference. The chief guest, resource persons, special guests and Dr. Indira, Principal of Narayana College of Nursing have released the souvenir.

Dr. Radha Saini, Fellow UICC, Geneva, was has **unfolded the theme** and emphasized the importance of research in nursing field. She has explained the demerits of faulty techniques in research and briefed on the objectives of the conference.

Successful production of a written product for submission to a peer reviewed scientific journal requires substantial effort. Such an effort can be maximized by following a few simple suggestions when composing / creating the product for submission. By following some suggested guidelines and by avoiding common errors, the process can be streamlined and success is released even for the beginners/ novice authors as they negotiated the publication process.

GENERAL OBJECTIVES:

- To create mass awareness of nurses regarding nursing research and education.
- To collaborate the research theory with practical implications.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

- To provide knowledge and improve the skills regarding writing a scientific paper and getting it published.
- To address the issues in scientific writing like plagiarism, authorship, ghost writing and reproducible research.
- To impart knowledge regarding use of soft ware for checking plagiarism.
- To develop the concept of indexing in medical journals.
- To provide information about the methods for granting agencies

Dr. Rajeswari Vidhyanathan, Principal, Sree Narayana Nursing College presented on the topic principles of scientific presentation. She gave the details of how to publish a scientific research in a proper way. She gave the description of how to publish a paper.

Ms. Radha Saini, Fellow UICC, Geneva, has talked on the issues in scientific writing. She described about plagiarism, its dangers and how to avoid it. She also talked the other issues in scientific writing such as authorship, ghost writing and reproducible research.

Dr. Kanica Kaushal, from AIIMS, Jodhpur, talked about how to write a scientific paper and get it published. She described about what to include in the paper for publication

Dr.Sanjay Kumar, Professor, pathology department, Pt.B.D. Sharma Post graduate Institute of Medical Sciences spoke on the software that is used to check plagiarism. All the online journals are now scrutinised using software. He also explained about the concept of indexing in the medical journals.

After a sumptuous lunch in the lunch break, Dr.Subba Rao, Administrative officer, Narayana Medical College Hospital, talked about the reasons for a manuscript to be rejected and what to do with the rejected manuscript.

Dr. Vedhavyas, senior research fellow, Narayana Medical College Hospital, explained about how to create new concepts for doing the research and about how to get the funds.

Finally, Dr. Indira, Principal, Narayana Nursing College explained about various funding agencies. She enlisted the different funding agencies national and international wide.

Many Scientific posters and papers were presented. The programme was attended by many eminent nurses from different places all over India. 676 delegates from all over the country have participated among which 516 are students from different colleges, 151 are registered nurses, 4 delegates are other health care professionals and 5 are resource persons.

Pre-test and post-test knowledge questionnaire are distributed. Data is collected and analysed.

MARKS	PERCENTAGE	CATEGORY
0-9	<50%	Inadequate Knowledge
10- 15	50-75%	Moderately adequate Knowledge
16-20	>75%	Adequate Knowledge

The following scoring key is used to analyse the data

Post test showed that there is significant increase in the level of knowledge. The results are as follows.

Pre-test results: Among the 660 delegates,

- 416 (63%) had inadequate knowledge,
- 145 (22%) had moderately adequate knowledge and
- 99 (15%) had adequate knowledge.

Post-test results: Among the 660 delegates,

- ❖ 99 (15%) had inadequate knowledge,
- ❖ 105 (16%) had moderately adequate knowledge and
- ❖ 455 (69%) had adequate knowledge.

Poster presentation was also conducted and Ms.Mimtha, Ms.Minnu, Ms.Mounika, Ms. Neenu, Ms. Neethu and Ms.Mary Nayana are awarded 1st prize and Ms. Aswathy, Ms.Binnis, Ms.Linta, Ms. Sowmya and Ms.Simi.K.S are awarded 2nd prize for the best posters on Nursing educationa and research. The programme winded up with vote of thanks and National anthem by 5pm



