THE IMPACT OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN NURSING COUNCIL REGULATION NUMBER 212 ON THE TRAINING OF THEATRE NURSES IN THE NORTHERN AREA OF THE EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE

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SUMMARY

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A quantitative, descriptive and contextual research study was conducted to establish the impact of the South African Nursing Council regulation number 212 on the training of theatre nurses in the Northern are of the Eastern Cape Province.

A survey was conducted, using a questionnaire as research instrument. Convenience sampling was used to select the required sample of registered theatre nurses employed in the area. The data analysis revealed that the way theatre nurses are utilized in the area does not yet show an impact in terms of the aim of this course namely to develop their knowledge, skills and attitudes in order to be effective practitioners. However, the respondents felt positive about the curriculum.

Key terms : Training of theatre nurses Peri-operative nursing Role of theatre nurse Scope of practice for theatre nurses Operating room nursing

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