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Characteristics of hospitals that appoint a nurse as a vice president: verification of Japanese Red Cross group of hospitals

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Background: In Japan, after the creation of the Chief Nurse Executive position in 1989, the practice has been analyzed in terms of hospital management. However, there has been no analysis using management indicators on the effects of appointing a Chief Nurse Executive.

Purpose: The purpose of this study was to compare two groups of hospitals: hospitals that have appointed a Chief Nurse Executive and hospitals that have not, using management indicators. The report clarifies the difference between the two groups.

Method: This study was a cross-sectional study of 69 hospitals with 200 beds or more based on the 2018 Japanese Red Cross Hospital Facility Management Overview Public Data. Quantitative analysis and comparisons were performed using management indicators selected from the literature review on management in a Chief Nurse Executive.

Results: Of the 69 hospitals, 19 had appointed Chief Nurse Executives, and 50 hospitals had not done so. The hospital-appointed Chief Nurse Executive, along with the nurses, pharmacists, radiologists, and clinical engineers, were assigned to be a part of an advanced emergency and community medical support hospital team and continue medical treatment from advanced and multifunctional hospitals to home areas. The public data provided no indicators of an advanced education in this position.

Conclusion: The hospital-appointed Chief Nurse Executive position is characterized by the staffing requirements that matched the functions of the advanced and multifunctional hospital. This is a hospital that responded to a wide range of medical needs.

Biography

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