

Setting Priorities for Nursing Research

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For which topic were research priorities identified?

nursing care of the veteran patient

In which location was the research priority setting conducted?

North America - USA

Why was it conducted at all?

A stimulant to any research effort is clear sense of the priorities for research within a given field

What was the objective?

to identify priorities for nursing research

What was the outcome?

a ranking list of 12 research questions

How long did the research prioritization take?

No information provided.

Which methods were used to identify research priorities?

Delphi

How were the priorities for research identified exactly?

Step 1: Delphi round 1: survey asking participants to submit 3 questions related to nursing care of the veteran patient that warranted study, 1558 questions submitted. Step 2: data processing: questions assigned to general topic areas, 73 research question formulated. Step 3: Delphi round 2: participants were asked to rate each question based on the question: What would be the magnitude of the impact on the care of the veteran patient if increased knowledge was available in this area?. Step 4: Delphi round 3: participants were asked to re-rate questions based on group median ratings of round 2

Which stakeholders took part?

Nursing administrators, clinical nursing staff, nursing researchers in veterans administration hospitals. Delphi round 1: 438 participants. Delphi round 2: 399 participants. Delphi round 3: 367 participants.

How were stakeholders recruited?

Letters with an invitation to participate were sent to VA Medical Centers and Independent Clinics to each chief of nursing services.

Were stakeholders actively involved or did they just participate?

Stakeholders were mere participants of the research prioritization process; they were not actively involved in the process.