TITLE: Nursing Hours Per Patient Day for Pediatric and Maternal Health: Guidelines

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RESEARCH QUESTION

What are the evidence-based guidelines and recommendations regarding optimal nursing hours per patient day for maternal and pediatric patients?

KEY MESSAGE

No information was identified regarding guidelines and recommendations for optimal nursing hours per patient day for maternal and pediatric patients.

METHODS

A limited literature search was conducted on key resources including PubMed, CINAHL, The Cochrane Library (2011, Issue 3), University of York Centre for Reviews and Dissemination (CRD) databases, Canadian and major international health technology agencies, as well as a focused Internet search. No filters were applied to limit the retrieval by study type. The search was limited to English language documents published between Jan 1, 2006 and Mar 30, 2011. Internet links were provided, where available.

RESULTS

Rapid Response reports are organized so that the higher quality evidence is presented first. Therefore, health technology assessment reports, systematic reviews, and meta-analyses are presented first. These are followed by evidence-based guidelines.

No relevant health technology assessments, systematic reviews, meta-analyses, or evidence-based guidelines were identified regarding optimal nursing hours per patient day for maternal and pediatric patients. Additional articles of potential interest can be found in the appendix.

Health technology assessments
No literature identified.

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Systematic reviews and meta-analyses
No literature identified.

Guidelines and recommendations
No literature identified.

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APPENDIX – FURTHER INFORMATION:

Non-randomized studies – other settings


Clinical practice guidelines


Review articles – other settings


Additional references
