Critical Care Nurses’ Experiences of Advocating for Patients when Faced with Moral Distress

SUMMARY:
Moral distress occurs when individuals recognize the right thing to do, but are prevented from pursuing the right course of action. When nurses experience moral distress because they are implementing treatments that are perceived to be compromising patient care, it is not well known whether they are engaging in patient advocacy. When nurses cannot or do not advocate for patients, patients’ values, quality of life and safety can be threatened. This presentation will describe a proposed research study that aims to explore, using van Manen’s approach to interpretive phenomenology, critical care nurses’ lived experience of patient advocacy when faced with moral distress.

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