



## **Knowledge of nurses about abortion in the women's hospital and obstetrics in the holy city of Karbala and General AL - HindiaHospital**

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**Abstract:** Abortion is emptying the uterus from the embryo, which occurs without the intervention of medical or mechanical means. And uses another term on the broader abortion scope is the termination of pregnancy, either spontaneously or unintentionally 20 weeks or the weight less than 500 grams before the birth or death of the fetus, the reasons vary according to the laws of the state and the report of abortion, fetal death and infant mortality newborns.

**Objective:** Knowledge of nurses towards abortion evaluates and determines the relationship between knowledge of nurses towards abortion and demographic characteristics.

**Methodology:** descriptive study was conducted in the women's hospital and maternity public education and a hospital of AL-Hindia city in the holy city of Karbala from 15/02/2016 to 15/10/2016 to achieve objectives of the study were selected sample is the possibility (object-) consisted of (70) nurses working in a hospital Obstetrics and Gynecology educational year and AL-Hindiahospital. The study tool consists of two parts, the first part demographic information. The second part Knowledge nurses assess and includes three sections First Section: Knowledge nurses toward abortion, Section II: Knowledge about the causes of abortion, Section III: knowledge about preventive measures.

**Results:** Results of the study showed that (45) nurses, was down (64.3%) were in the age group (24-30 years), and (45) nurses, by (64.3%) junior nursing graduates, and 38 nurses, by (54.3%) were married, (1-3) was the years of experience (20) nurses, was down (28.5%), and (41) nurses, by (58.5%) did not participate in the training sessions. The results showed that there was anon significant difference in the level of ( $P < 0.05$ ) and that most of the nurses have an average knowledge of the direction of abortion, there is no significant correlation between the knowledge of nurses and level of education, age and marital status with the exception of years of experience.

**Conclusions:** The study found that the nurses had an average level of knowledge about abortion and there is no significant correlation between age and level of education, social status and their knowledge of the nurse in the exception of years of experience.

**Recommendations:** The study recommends the following: activating the role of training and development to improve knowledge and attitudes of nurses, health awareness trend pregnancy, the distribution of brochures, pamphlets for nurses, guidance on obstetrics and midwifery.

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