Reviewer's report

Title: Undergraduate nursing students caring for cancer patients: phenomenological hermeneutic insights of their lived experiences

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The article is interesting but also rather concerning about poor standards of care or poor attitudes - from some nurses. I would suggest exploring the fact that the study was conducted in a context where students might be able to identify patients easily through family or social connections. I would also suggest some discussion of how negative attitudes in permanent members of staff could be challenged - and the role that student feedback might play in this - perhaps using the narrative method described here.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests