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Dear Editorial team.

“Perioperative Nursing in Public University Hospitals: An Ethnography”

We are pleased to enclose a paper of highest relevance to the readers of BMC Public Health. This is the first study focusing on the content of perioperative nursing in highly specialized operating rooms in public University Hospitals in order to uncover perioperative nurses’ interaction between nursing care and technology. We collected data via participant observations and interviews with 24 nurses from nine different operating wards at two University Hospitals. We identified three levels of interaction between technology and nursing care. Considering that practice on two of those three levels is characterized by inflexibility and isolation, nurses at those two levels need to develop their competences to the third so called flexible and excellent level. An important task for nurse leaders when recruiting and retention is to be aware of the need for proficiency in this field.

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