Relationship between Caregiver Strain and Satisfaction Marriage on the wife as Caregiver of Spouse Stroke patients

Abstrak :

When a husband is suffering from an illness, his wife will serve as the primary caregiver (Magai, 1996). As a spouse caregiver, a wife is more at risk for experiencing caregiver strain, where she can feel the strain as the result of physical, emotional, cognitive or social development problem experienced by her husband. This study is a correlational study aimed to determine the relationship between caregiver strain and marital satisfaction among wives as a spouse caregiver of stroke patients. Caregiver strain is a perception or a feeling of difficulty on the task and responsibility in fulfilling the role as caregiver (Oncology Nursing Society, 2008; Factor & Weiner, 2008). Marital satisfaction is defined as attitude of greater or lesser favorability toward one's own marital relationship (Roach, Frazier & Bowden, 1981). The instruments which are used in this study are The Modified Caregiver Strain Index (MCSI) developed by Robinson in 1983 and has been modified by Thornton & Travis in 2003, and Marital Satisfaction Scale developed by Roach, Frazier & Bowden in 1981. The participants who were included in this study were 30 people. The results showed that there is no significant relationship between caregiver strain and marital satisfaction among wives as a spouse caregiver of stroke patients.

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