# **Fundamentals of Nursing**

#### Outline

The Division of Fundamentals of Nursing offers courses mainly for freshman and sophomore students, for them to develop as professional nurses with a strong commitment to service. Students are equipped to provide comprehensive nursing care to patients in a pre-clinical laboratory before they are exposed to actual clinical situations. In addition, faculty members of the division oversee the first clinical practicum.

We provide the following courses:

- · Principle of Nursing
- · Basic Nursing Skills

#### **Faculty Members**

Specially appointed Professor Noriko Hira, RN, MSN, Ph.D. (Nursing),

Associate Professor Shinji Akeno, RN, MSN, Ph.D. (Nursing),

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Assistant Professor Hiroki Yonekawa, RN, ME

Assistant Professor Yuki Yamaguchi, RN, MSN

# Main Research Topics

- · Care for patients and family members
- · Nursing assessment methods and effects of nursing intervention
- The structure of nursing skills
- · Continuing education and career support for clinical nurses

### Conference Presentations, Current Publications and Research Projects

- Denpoya, A., Narui, H., Honma, T., & Hira, N. (2014). "Viewing on team approach to health care for the outpatients undergoing cancer treatment." Journal of Japan Academy of Human Care Science, 7(2): 11-21 (in Japanese).
- Akeno, S., Hinotsu, A., & Muramatsu, M. (2018). "Differences in use of hands by nurses and nursing students: force exerted by the fingers and palms on the area of contact in postural change." Journal of Japan Society of Nursing Research, 41(4), 783-794 (in Japanese).
- Yokokawa, A., Yonekawa, H., Niimi, C., & Akeno, S. (2019). "Valuation of the effects of a bed bath with hot towels based on procedures described in textbooks on nursing techniques" Journal of Nursing and Social Services, Health Sciences University of Hokkaido, 26(1), 75-81 (in Japanese).
- Hira, N., Narui, H., & Karatu, F. (2014–2019). Team approach to support group program for the families of outpatients undergoing cancer treatment. The Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technolog

## [ Education Field ]

Principle of Nursing
Theories of Nursing Art
Fundamentals of Nursing Skill
Clinical Practicum of Fundamental Nursing

# [ Research Field ]

Concept of a Nursing Practice

Educational Methods of a Nursing Skill

Study of Nursing Skill's Methods

Interaction between Patients and Nurses