

Introduction

From a person-centred care approach (PCC), clinical narratives are understood as a way to develop professional skills and promote knowledge development among nurses, resulting in an improvement of their abilities in the nurse-patient relationship.

Study gap

A reliable and valid measurement instrument to assess clinical narratives is needed.

Aims

To develop and psychometrically validate the Narratives Evaluation Tool (NET).

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Psychometric Testing of the Narratives Evaluation Tool (NET)

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This study is part of a longer project called **NarratUN**, which seeks to promote the development of the constituent reflective elements of the nurse-patient relationship from a PCC approach.

It integrates **three sequenced phases** composed of several stages:

- 1. Theoretical framework development:** to identify the key aspects for the intervention's development and instruments of measure.
- 2. Modelling phase:** to identify the components and the underlying mechanisms of influence in the intervention.
- 3. Definitive phase:** to evaluate the preliminary efficacy of clinical narratives for the development of professional competences.

This study shows that the use of clinical narratives has an impact on the development of professional competences in providing PCC.
(Clinical trial number: NCT03791411).

Methodology

Three-step approach was used:

1. Conceptualization.
2. Construction of items and content validation.
3. Item analysis, validity and reliability psychometric evaluation.

Impact

This instrument will allow to accurately test nurses' knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for developing authentic encounters with patients from a PCC approach.



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