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I. AIMS & SCOPE

JKAN provides a forum for original research and scholarship on nursing practice, health care delivery, management, workforce, policy, and research methods relevant to nursing, midwifery, and other health-related professions around the world. This journal aims to promote the development and dissemination of knowledge in all spheres of nursing and support evidence-based nursing policies. JKAN welcomes studies that seek to evaluate and understand complex healthcare interventions and health policies and that employ rigorous designs and methods appropriate for the research question related to the nursing discipline. This journal covers all the areas of nursing science. The journal also seeks to improve the quality of its research by publishing methodological papers introducing or elaborating on analytical techniques, measures, and research methods.

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The journal is published four times a year (Feb. 28, May 31, Aug. 31, and Nov. 30). The journal is open access, and articles are freely available online to read, download, and share immediately upon publication. JKAN endorses the Equator Network (http://www.equator-network.org), an international initiative that seeks to improve the reliability and value of research literature in healthcare by promoting the transparent and accurate reporting of studies. We ask our authors to use appropriate reporting guidelines to ensure their excellence in scientific reporting.

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editor of the journal may request the submission of copies of informed consent received from human subjects in clinical studies, or IRB approval documents. Animal experiments should also be reviewed by an appropriate committee (e.g., the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee) for the care and use of animals. If the study is exempted from such approval, the basis of such an exemption and the regulatory framework should be described.

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Redundant publication (duplication) is defined as "reporting (publishing or attempting to publish) substantially the same work more than once, without attribution of the original source(s)." Characteristics of reports that are substantially similar include the following: (a) "At least one of the authors must be common to all reports (if there are no common authors, it is more likely plagiarism than redundant publication);" (b) "The subjects or study populations are the same or overlapped;" (c) "The methodology is typically identical or nearly so;" (d) "The results and their interpretation generally vary little, if at all."

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When reviewers or readers suspect publication malpractice, such as fabrication, falsification, salami slicing, plagiarism, or simultaneous/ duplicate publication, inappropriate changes in authorship, an undisclosed conflict of interest, ethical problems with a submitted manuscript, a reviewer who has appropriated an author's idea or data, complaints against editors, and so on, the process of resolution will be initiated following the flowchart provided by the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE, http://publicationethics.org/resources/flowcharts). The ethics committee will discuss and adjudicate cases of suspected publication malpractice, as well as complaints and appeals to editors.

III. MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSION

1. Online Submission

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All correspondence, including notifications of the editor's decisions and requests for revisions, will be processed using this system. For any questions regarding the use of the online submission system, please contact the publication director of the KSNS via phone, e-mail (tel: +82-2-567-2590; e-mail: kaneditor@kan.or.kr).

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Reviews and Discussion Papers: up to 6,000 words

These include critical presentations on topics of interest and relevance to nursing theory, practice, and education. The body of a review article should be a comprehensive, scholarly, evidence-based review of the literature, accompanied by a critical analysis leading to reasonable conclusions. We publish systematic (addressing focused research questions) and broader literature reviews (scoping reviews). We also publish discussion papers, which are scholarly articles of a debating or discursive nature. In all cases, there must be engagement with and a critical analysis of

a substantive body of research or other scholarship. Systematic reviews should adhere to recognized standards of reporting.

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These include comments by organizations or individuals on topics of current interest and invitations. Authors with ideas for editorials that address issues of substantive concern in the discipline, particularly those of a controversial nature or directly linked to current/forthcoming content in the journal, should contact the manager.

Letters to the Editor: up to 1,000 words. No Abstracts required. These included responses to previous articles and editorials. Designed to stimulate academic debate and discussion, the editor invites readers to submit letters that refer to and comment on recent journal content, introduce new comments and discussions of clear and direct relevance to the journal's aims and scope, or briefly report data or research findings that may not warrant a full paper.

IV. MANUSCRIPT PREPARATION AND FORMAT

1. General Guidelines

Manuscripts should be written in either Korean or English. Manuscripts must be prepared according to the National Library of Medicine's (NLM) Style Guide for Authors, Editors, and Publishers (http://www.nlm.nih.gov/citingmedicine). If there are any discrepancies between the JKAN Guidelines and the NLM Manual, the former should take precedence.

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Observational cohort, case-control, and cross-sectional studies Strengthening the Reporting of Observational Studies in Epidemiology (STROBE)

Meta-analysis of Observational Studies in Epidemiology (MOOSE) *Qualitative studies*

Consolidated Criteria for Reporting Qualitative Research (COREQ) Standards for Reporting Qualitative Research (SRQR)

Quasi-experimental/ non-randomized trials

Transparent Reporting of Evaluations with Non-randomized Designs (TREND)

Randomized (and quasi randomized) controlled trials

Consolidated Standards of Reporting Trials (CONSORT)

Study of Diagnostic accuracy/assessment scale

Standards for the Reporting of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies (STARD) Systematic Review and meta-analysis

Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-analvses (PRISMA)

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Standards for Quality Improvement Reporting Excellence (SQUIRE)

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The composition of the manuscript should be as follows: *Title Page, Abstract and Keywords, Main Text, References, Tables and Figures, and Appendices.* Each section begins on a new page. To ensure a blind review, the main body of the paper (including references, tables, and figures) should not include any identifying information, such as the authors' names or affiliations.

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The following should be included on the title page: (1) title of the article; (2) running head; (3) author names and affiliations (department, location, and ORCID); (4) corresponding author's name and complete address, including e-mail, phone number, ORCID, and fax number; and (5) any acknowledgments, credits, or disclaimers, including funding sources and conflicts of interest (to register on ORCID, visit https://orcid.org) and data-sharing statements.

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Main Text

For most papers, the following basic structure is used: *Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion, and Conclusion*. Articles may require subheadings within certain sections to clarify their content.

Introduction: A brief background, references to the most pertinent papers that are sufficiently general to inform readers, and relevant findings from others should be included. It is recommended that the introduction include a "general and specific background," "debating issues," and the "specific purpose of this study."

Methods: Describes the study design, setting, and samples, measurements/ instruments, data collection/procedure, ethical considerations, and data analysis used. However, this instrument can be omitted if it is qualitative. When designing biomedical research, gender variables must be considered. If not applicable, please state the reason. In the section on ethical considerations, the author states that the study protocol was approved by the institutional review board (IRB No. ##-##-###). Please provide the initials of institutional names at the time of submission for peer review.

Results: Describes the main results logically using text, tables, and figures in a concise paragraph. This is the most descriptive section.

Discussion: Discussion should be based only on the reported results. The data should be interpreted concisely without repeating the materials presented in the results. Discussions on advances in nursing practice, nursing knowledge development, and their implications for nursing are strongly recommended.

Conclusion: State the conclusions and recommendations for further study. Do not summarize the study results.

References

In-text Citation

Citation of references within the text should follow Citing Medicine: The NLM Style Guide for Authors, Editors, and Publishers 2nd edition (http://www.nlm.nih.gov/citingmedicine). References should be numbered serially in the order of appearance in the text, with numbers in brackets []. When multiple references are cited together, use commas to indicate a series of non-inclusive numbers (e.g., [1], [2,3], [4-6], or [7-9,13]). If a reference is cited more than once, use the original reference number. If there are one or two authors, include the last name of each. If there are

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References should be listed on a separate sheet at the end of the paper in the order of citation. The authors are responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the references and the correct text citations. The number of references should be 50 or fewer for a regular article, except for a manuscript on meta-analyses, systematic reviews, or structural equation models that have no limit on references.

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Tables and figures should be self-contained and complement the information contained in the text without duplication. Tables and figures should be numbered consecutively using Arabic numerals. Each table and figure has been placed on a separate page. There should be **no more than five tables and figures in total**. More tables or figures are provided in the supplementary material. The title of the table should be placed above it, and should begin with a capital letter for the first word only, and all other words should be in lowercase (Table 1. Overall responses to question types). The title of the figure should be placed below it, with the first letter of the figure title capitalized (for example, Figure 1. Scatter plot of study variables between cancer survivors and their spouses). When two or more figures exist for the same number, an alphabetically sequential letter should be placed after the Arabic number (Figure 1A, B).

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p-values should be provided. If the p-values are .000 and 1.000, they should be indicated as p < .001 and p > .999, respectively. If p-values have to be reported using footnotes, * and ** should be used (e.g., * p < .05, ** p < .01).

Appendices

The authors should submit an appendix showing the final measurement developed in the instrument development study and a list of reviewed articles in systematic reviews or meta-analyses.

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Journals with six or fewer authors list all authors

Chen H, Nakatani H, Liu T, Zhao H, Xie D. The core knowledge and skills of nursing competency regarding mealtime assistance for hemiplegic patients in China. Asian Nurs Res. 2020;14(2):129-135. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.anr.2020.04.005

Journals with more than six authors list the first six followed by et al.

Kim JI, Suh EE, Song JE, Im Y, Park JH, Yu S, et al. Development of caring as a human science: 50 years of history of the Korean Society of Nursing Science. J Korean Acad Nurs. 2020;50(3):313-332. https://doi.org/10.4040/jkan.20142

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Turner A. Parkinson's drug a 'life-changer' for former nurse. BBC News. 2024 Oct 28.

Shin JH. IV drips: a quick energy shot for overworked Koreans. The Korea Herald [Internet]. 2024 Jun 15 [cited 2024 Oct 10]. Available from: https://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20240613050778&ACE_SEARCH=1

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DeVellis RF. Scale development: theory and applications. 4th ed. Sage Publications; 2016. 280 p.

Entire book on the internet

Peterson K. Guide to life science careers [Internet]. NPG Education; c2014 [cited 2024 Jul 2]. Available from: https://www.nature.com/scitable/ebooks/guide-to-lifescience-careers-14053951/

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Kone BC. Metabolic basis of solute transport. In: Brenner BM, Rector FC, editors. Brenner and Rector's the kidney. 8th ed. Saunders Elsevier; c2008, p. 130-55.

Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI). Enterobacteriaceae. In: CLSI, editor. Performance standards for antimicrobial susceptibility testing, 27th ed. CLSI; 2017. p. 32-39.

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Cromar KC, Moebius C. Medical-surgical nursing made incredibly easy. 4th ed. Lee SH, Shin MK, Um JY, Kim AL, Kim HJ, Park JH, et al., translators. Academya; 2017. 992 p.

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Kwon JH. A Study on the current status of infertility counseling and the development of infertility counseling delivery system. Ministry of Health and Welfare; 2016. Report No.: 11-1352000-001853-01.

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It's recommended not to cite dissertation or theses, if it's necessary it can be cited less than three.

Zhao JJ. Design of a 3D virtual learning environment for acquisition of cultural competence in nursing education: experience of nursing and other health care students, instructors, and instructional designers [dissertation]. Vancouver: University of British Columbia; 2019.

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Salehi E, Yousefi H, Rashidi H, Ghanaatti H. Automatic diagnosis of disc herniation in two-dimensional MR images with combination of distinct features using machine learning methods. Proceedings of the 2019 Scientific Meeting on Electrical-Electronics & Biomedical Engineering and Computer Science (EBBT); 2019 Apr 24-26; Istanbul, Turkey. IEEE; 2019. https://doi.org/10.1109/EBBT.2019.8742052

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