

Table 1 Sociodemographic and employment characteristics of the nurses

Characteristic	No. (n = 416)	%
<i>Age (years)</i>		
< 20	120	28.8
20-29	202	48.6
30-39	78	18.8
≥ 40	16	3.8
<i>Educational level</i>		
Diploma	198	47.6
Associated degree	70	16.8
Bachelor degree	148	35.6
<i>Marital status</i>		
Single	198	47.6
Married	200	48.1
Widowed	8	1.9
Divorced	10	2.4
<i>Type of hospital</i>		
Government	106	25.4
Private	70	16.8
University	82	19.7
Teaching	68	16.3
Treatment agency	36	8.6
Health insurance	54	13.0
<i>Experience in work place (years)</i>		
< 3	204	49.0
3-5	120	28.8
> 5	92	22.1
<i>Place of work in hospital</i>		
Inpatient unit	130	31.3
Operating room	102	24.5
Outpatient clinic	60	14.4
Delivery room	124	29.8