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1. About us

Our primary organization, the National Association for Visiting Nurse Service Association for the elderly, was launched as a voluntary organization on 6th on June in 1994. The Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare gave their approval on 7th of July, and General Incorporated Association, the National Association for Visiting Nurse Service was established. After a reform of the legal framework of Public Interest Corporations, we have changed over from Incorporated Association to General Incorporated Association.

5,206 of 9,735 visiting nursing stations across the whole country became our members on 1st of April 2017. The proportion of the members among all visiting nursing stations is 53%.

2. What we do

Our aim is to contribute to the improvement of management of home visiting nursing projects, and health and welfare in Japan through the development of a home visiting nursing service. In order to achieve this goal, we run home visiting nursing projects and research for improvement and assurance of the quality of health services.

Our projects:

1. To implement home visiting nursing projects, and provide instruction and consultation aimed at improvement of assurance of the quality of health services.
2. To provide lectures and training workshops for members of the home visiting nursing teams.
3. To establish a mass meeting for home visiting nursing projects.
4. To provide information and publish literature about home visiting nursing projects.
5. To communicate and cooperate with similar organizations working in the same field.
6. To establish projects promoting the welfare of home visiting nursing staff.
7. To implement projects related to home visiting nursing to achieve our goals.

3. What is home visiting nursing?

The Home Visiting Nursing a service provided by nurses from home visiting nursing stations in order to provide treatment or care for patients with illnesses and disabilities who live at home or in the community as they are. When the nurses visit their homes or living places, they provide home healthcare and promote patients' independence.

4. Home Visit Nursing Services

Specialized nurses from home visiting nursing stations visit patients' homes, observe their living conditions and then provide home care. Through these activities, the nurses are available to provide nursing care and advice based on assessment of their needs for 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. Additionally, they would suggest various ways to use home care services through liaising with doctors and medical facilities.

Home visiting nursing provides these services:

<p>■Care involved in treatment Bed-bathing, bathing, washing hair, having meals and toileting assistance / instruction.</p>	<p>■Treatment ordered by doctors Medical care based on written instructions from a physician in charge.</p>
<p>■Follow-up patients' conditions Checking conditions including pulse, body temperature and blood pressure of patients.</p>	<p>■Management of medical equipment Management of home oxygen therapy and artificial respirator etc.</p>
<p>■Terminal care Supporting patients who stay at home during terminal cancer and late illness stages.</p>	<p>■Prevention of bed ulcers and care - Advice and care for prevention of developing bed ulcers - Treatment of bed ulcers</p>
<p>■Home rehabilitation - Prevention of joint contracture - Promotion of functional recovery - Training for swallowing disorder (dysphagia)</p>	<p>■Dementia care - Prevention of accidents due to dementia - Provide ideas and instruction regarding nursing care for those who are affected by dementia.</p>
<p>■Support and consultation for patients' families Instruction and consultation about home nursing for patients' families.</p>	<p>■Preventative nursing care Advice to avoid malnutrition and motor function deterioration.</p>