Nursing desired by psychiatric inpatients
— Through interviews with inpatients —

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Abstract
The aim of the present study was to clarify what psychiatric inpatients think about the involvement of nurses in their care and nursing itself in the psychiatric ward, and to discuss what nursing the inpatients expect. Three inpatients whose discharge date had been determined, and who showed a GAF (global assessment of function) scale of 51 or higher, were selected for semi-structured interviews in the present study. Answers to the questions of what the inpatients thought about nurses on the ward involved in their care and their nursing were classified into 43 codes, 18 subcategories and 6 categories, based on similarities of the meanings of the answers. The final 6 categories included: (1) favorable impression, (2) satisfaction, (3) comfort, (4) discomfort, (5) refusal and (6) dissatisfaction. The results indicated that psychiatric inpatients ideally expect to have more solid comfort and satisfaction provided by nurses who are actively involved with them, visit them frequently, have enough time to listen to their complaints, and care for them according to their individual characteristics and needs. Tottori J. Clin. Res. 4(1), 56-61, 2011

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