THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WORKLOAD, SUPERVISORY COACHING, WORK ENGAGEMENT AND JOB SATISFACTION AMONG NURSES AT SULTANAH BAHIYAH HOSPITAL

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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this study was to investigate the relationship between workload, supervisory coaching, work engagement and job satisfaction among nurses. Ninety six participants were randomly selected among nurses from Sultanah Bahiyah Hospital, Alor Setar, Kedah. A cross-sectional survey technique was employed in this study. Instrument for measuring job satisfaction was utilised from Weiss, Dawis, England, and Lofquist (1967) while instruments for measuring workload was developed by Houston, Meyer & Paewai (2006), the supervisory coaching was developed by Karasek (1985) and the work engagement instrument was developed by Schaufeli & Baker (2003). Data collected was analysed descriptively and inferentially through the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS). Findings of this study suggested that there were significant relationship between supervisory coaching and work engagement with job satisfaction. However, no significant relationship was found between work load and job satisfaction among nurses in Sultanah Bahiyah Hospital, Alor Setar, Kedah. The findings of this study may provide guidelines for organizations such as hospitals and health centres to understand employees’ job satisfaction.
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1.0 Introduction

Studies on job satisfaction have been done widely in relation to turnover intention. (Mobley, 1977). The turnover intention is of the determinants that can evaluate employee’s happiness to the organization. Turnover intention can cause an organization to lose cost as company may need to spend a huge amount of money to replace the employee. With qualifications, skills and competencies, it is easy for the employee to find a new job elsewhere (Amah, 2009).

According to Mudor & Tooksoon (2011), job satisfaction is a factor that in the long run will be able to encourage employees to work. In fact most of the studies have been fragmented in identifying an effective practices that could improve job satisfaction and intention to stay in the organization (Chew & Chan, 2008).

Previous study done by Pierce, Hazel, & Mion (1996) examine the effect of a professional practice model (PPM) on nurses’ job satisfaction and turnover. They employ the implementation of a PPM as the characteristics of participative decision making; control over work practices; organizational supportiveness; collegial relationships; open, multilevel communication; and rewards linked to clinical proficiency. The results of their study asserted the significantly correlated with
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