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*A study on information support needs of nursing students of Trinity College of Quezon City-St. Luke's College of Nursing (TCQC-SLCN)**

Since St. Luke's Medical Center is the base hospital for nursing students of Trinity College of Quezon City-St. Luke's College of Nursing, it can be regarded as one of the best schools of nursing in our country today. The Nursing and Medical Technology Library aims to help attain the College objectives by providing information necessary to a comprehensive knowledge of the science and art of nursing (Trinity College of Quezon City-St. Luke's College of Nursing, 2006). Meeting the needs of its students requires an understanding of the information needs, information seeking-behaviour and use of library resources along with the satisfaction of the library users. To be able to achieve this understanding, the researcher conducted this study. The objectives of the study were: (a) determine if the library resources, services and facilities satisfy the information needs of nursing students; (b) find out if the library resources and services are adequate to meet the information needs of these nursing students; (c) know the activities that nursing students engage in seeking information; (d) identify the tools/methods that nursing students use for locating the information and for higher awareness of the resources; (e) determine the purpose of the nursing students in visiting the library; (f) find out the library resources frequently used by nursing students; and (g) identify the information resources that being used for particular needs. The respondents for this study were the 338 nursing students of

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TCQC-SLCN. Based on the survey results, the topics that nursing students researched on were the following: pathophysiology, fundamentals of nursing, nursing theories, maternal and child health and health ethics. Students sought information by searching the web, browsing the library and using reference tools like encyclopedia. Their purposes in visiting the library were: to do research and assignments, and to review study or lessons. Although they frequently visited the library, not all students were aware of other library resources like conference proceedings. Students gave a satisfactory rate on library resources, services and facilities. Students were looking for more updated books and additional copies. Library services should also be improved. Additional tables and chairs were also requested by the students. To be able to improve the library resources, services and facilities the following recommendations are suggested: 1.) further improve the acquisition policy of the library; 2.) acquisition of new and updated library materials; 3.) improving library facilities by putting up additional tables and chairs, installing additional computers for OPAC and providing photocopiers; 4.) improving the library orientation to emphasize the resources, services and facilities that library offers; 5.) promoting of journals and conference proceedings as a source of information; 6.) publishing library information sheet or bulletin; 7.) producing a catalog of newly acquired books; and 8.) training or hiring additional academic librarians.