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Training Program To Enhance Staff Competencies in Acute Stroke Care  
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Introduction  
A new era in acute stroke care began, better nursing practice is deemed crucial to keep pace with the changes in acute stroke care. Updated knowledge & competency which can help in the improvement of the outcome in this devastating disease

Objectives  
The objectives of the program is to promote the nurses competencies in acute stroke nursing (1)To introduce the advance therapeutc management (2)To arouse nurses interest & awareness (3)To enhance the understanding in the updated nursing care trend

Methodology  
A "Pre-test" vs "Post-test" design was employed. Subjects were (1)Acute Stroke Nursing Management (2)Nursing Care in Thrombolysis Therapy (3)Common Assessment Tools in Stroke Unit (4)Acute Ischaemic Stroke Clinical Pathway (5)Discussion on Medication Management in Stroke Patient. Outcomes measures were categorized as (1)Self evaluation (2)Assessment of nursing practice in real situation (3)Nursing audit

Result  
There were 187 staffs joined the 5 weekly therotical training program. The "Pre-test" result was 65% & the "Post-test" was 87.6%. There were about 23% improvemnt in acute stroke care. Nursing staff delivered updated nursing practice, enhanced their confidence & competencies in caring stroke patients.