There are an estimated 19.3 million nurses worldwide.

77% of nurses work 12-hour shifts.

Nurses perform approximately 23 tasks per hour, 12 hours per shift, X 3 shifts per week = 828 tasks per week.

The most common information needs among nurses are:
- Diagnoses
- Drugs
- Protocols/procedures
- Treatment/therapy

40% of nurses consult search engines at least once a week.

Only 16% of nurses use library resources at least once a week.

39% of nurses consult search engines at least once a week.

53% of nurses work mandated or unplanned O/T monthly.

Commonly suggested nurse to patient ratios:
- Med-Surg Unit: 1:4
- ICU: 1:2
- Step-Down Unit: 1:1

Barriers to information seeking:
- Not enough time
- Library resources aren't promoted enough
- Not enough training on available resource

Criteria for preferred information sources:
- Fast
- Easy to use
- Evidence-based
- Concise
- Easy to find

GOOGLE is nurses’ preferred resource.

72% of nurses’ information needs arise during encounters with patients.

Nurse-patient ratios are associated with an increased risk of infection, complications, and readmission.

85% of nurses consult coworkers at least once a week with questions.

77% of nurses consult coworkers at least once a week.

72% of nurses’ information needs are promoted enough on available resources.

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