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**Research Topic:** Adherence to standard nursing protocols on nasogastric tube feeding in a secondary referral hospital in Ghana: comparing self-ratings by professional and auxiliary nurses.

**Preamble**

*This is a questionnaire developed by students of University of Health and Allied Sciences on the research topic “Adherence to standard nursing protocols on nasogastric tube feeding in a secondary referral hospital in Ghana: comparing self-ratings by professional and auxiliary nurses”. Your responses are confidential and none of your information will be communicated or shared with a third party without your prior notice and permission. Thank you.*

<b>PART A: SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF RESPONDENTS</b>		
QUESTIONS	RESPONSES	
1. Gender	Male	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Female	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Age	.....	
3. Religion	Christian	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Muslim	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Others	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Marital Status	Single	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Married	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Others	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Educational Level	Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Diploma	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Degree	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Masters	<input type="checkbox"/>
	PhD	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Years of Working Experience	.....	
7. Professional Category	Auxiliary Nurses	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Registered General Nurses	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>PART B: KNOWLEDGE AND PRACTICE LEVEL OF NURSES</b>		
QUESTIONS	RESPONSE	CODE
1. Introduction and explaining of procedure is to pre-inform the client	Strongly agree.....	1
	Agree.....	2
	Undecided.....	3
	Disagree.....	4
		<input style="width: 50px; height: 30px;" type="text"/>
2. Upright position during intubation of patients is done to prevent aspiration	Strongly agree.....	1
	Agree.....	2
	Undecided.....	3
	Disagree.....	4
		<input style="width: 50px; height: 30px;" type="text"/>

3. Lubrication of the tip of the tube is done for easy passage and prevention of lacerations of the GIT lining	Strongly agree.....1 Agree.....2 Undecided.....3 Disagree.....4	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Patient mouth is checked while passing tube to observe coiling of the tube in the mouth	Strongly agree.....1 Agree.....2 Undecided.....3 Disagree.....4	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Aspirating of the gastric content is a confirmatory method used to check for the position of tube.	Strongly agree.....1 Agree.....2 Undecided.....3 Disagree.....4	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Kinking tube while feeding is done by pinching	Strongly agree.....1 Agree.....2 Undecided.....3 Disagree.....4	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Amount of water used to flush the tube before and after feeding is 10mls-15mls	Strongly agree.....1 Agree.....2 Undecided.....3 Disagree.....4	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Checking the temperature of the feed is done to prevent irritation of the GIT	Strongly agree.....1 Agree.....2 Undecided.....3 Disagree.....4	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. The tube is spigot immediately after feeding to prevent abdominal distention	Strongly agree.....1 Agree.....2 Undecided.....3 Disagree.....4	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. The syringe for feeding is raised to allow the feed run slowly under gravity	Strongly agree.....1 Agree.....2 Undecided.....3 Disagree.....4	<input type="checkbox"/>

**PART C: BARRIERS TO STANDARD PRACTICE**

QUESTIONS	RESPONSE	CODE
1. Is there a general standard protocol for NG tube feeding?	Yes .....1 No .....2 If YES, please answer question 2.	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Is the protocol available on the ward?	Yes .....1 No .....2	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Are there adequate number of staff on a shift?	Yes .....1 No .....2	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. If NO to question 3, to what extent does it affect the management of patient on NGT	Very large extent.....1 Large extent.....2 Undecided.....3 Little extent.....4	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Are there adequate number of NG tubes on the ward?	Yes .....1 No .....2	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. If NO to question 5, to what extent does it affect the management of patient on NGT?	Very large extent.....1 Large extent.....2 Undecided.....3 Little extent.....4	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Do relatives oppose the use of NG tube?	Yes .....1 No .....2	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. If YES to question 7, to what extent does it affect the management of patient on NGT?	Very large extent.....1 Large extent.....2 Undecided.....3 Little extent.....4	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Have you ever nursed a patient on NG tube in the last six months	Yes .....1 No .....2	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Have you attended a workshop on the management of patient on NG tube in the last six months?	Yes .....1 No .....2	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. If YES to question 10, who organized the workshop?	The Hospital.....1 NGO.....2 Others (please specify).....3	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Have you had any continuous education on the management of patient on NG tube in the last one year?	Yes .....1 No .....2	<input type="checkbox"/>

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME**