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**Determination of Attitudes of Nurses in Medical Errors and Related Factors**

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**Aim:** The study was conducted in definitive type, in order to determine the attitudes of nurses in medical errors and related factors.

**Methodology:** For the collection of research data, the scales "Nurse Description Form" and "Scale of Attitudes towards Medical Errors" were used. Ethical approval was granted from the ethics committee of the hospital where study was conducted and from the Public Hospitals Union Secretary. Data were collected from a sample of 151 nurses working in an education and research hospital and who volunteered to participate in the research. All the participants were informed about the research and data collection tools before application and agreed to participate in the study.

**Results:** The total scale point mean value was found to be  $3.56 \pm 0.47$ . For the "Medical Error Perception" subscale the mean value was found to be  $3.38 \pm 0.73$ , for the "Approach to Medical Error" subscale the mean value was found to be  $3.63 \pm 0.64$ , while for the "Medical Error Reasons" subscale the mean value was  $3.66 \pm 0.60$ .

**Conclusions:** At the end of the research, major part of nurse's attitudes in medical errors were found positive and it was determined that they are highly aware of the reasons of medical errors and importance of medical error notifications.

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