An analysis of postgraduate theses on LGBTI individuals: A case of nursing departments in Turkey

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ABSTRACT

Purpose: This study aimed to analyze postgraduate theses conducted on lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual, and intersex Individuals in the field of nursing in Turkey.

Materials and methods: Within the scope of the study, all the theses conducted in the field of nursing in Turkey until December 31st, 2018 were reviewed and the theses aiming at LGBTI individuals were assessed.

Results: As a result of the scanning, 9 theses were reached and 88.8% of the theses were postgraduate thesis. It was seen that the theses were mainly conducted as postgraduate theses and although the total number of theses conducted in this field had increased over time, it was not at the desired level.

Conclusions: As a result of the study, it was found that the theses were conducted in titles determining attitudes toward LGBTI individuals, questioning health problems of LGBTI individuals, and investigating LGBTI individuals’ barriers to health access.

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