Digitalized Versus Non Digitalized Doctors- Emergence Of Digital Medical Care Via Tech Savvy Doctors: A Systemic Review

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Abstract

Introduction: A review of healthcare professionals' digitalization skills is necessary given the concerns about patient safety and the incorporation of digitalization into the workplace. In order to explain the skills of healthcare professionals in these areas, identify factors that affect their competence, and identify essential areas of competence for digitalization in healthcare settings and to update job expectations and workflows, digitalization demands changes to healthcare practises, rules, and activities this study was taken.

Methodology: PRISMA was followed when conducting the systematic review. Web of Science, Academic Search Premiere (EBSCO), CINAHL (EBSCO), and Medline (Ovid) were the four databases that were searched for pertinent original peer-reviewed research published between 2012 and 2017. Five quantitative studies and seven qualitative investigations, which underwent narrative and thematic synthesis, were chosen for the final analysis out of a total of twelve.

Results: The knowledge of digital technology, digital skills necessary to provide quality patient care, including related social and communication skills, and ethical considerations of digitalization in patient care have been identified as the key competence areas regarding digitalization from a healthcare perspective. Healthcare personnel must be driven and willing to learn about digitalization and apply it to their work. Support from colleagues and an organization appears to be crucial for creating positive digitization experiences for healthcare practitioners.

Conclusion: If healthcare companies wish to improve their reaction to digitalization, they should both pay attention to the social environment of a workplace and foster a good attitude. The support of the company and its employees is necessary for the successful introduction of new technologies.

Keywords: Competence, Digitalization, Healthcare Professional, Public Healthcare Specialist, Specialized Healthcare

Introduction

The fast integration of digital technology into an ever-widening range of spheres of professional and personal life is known as digitalization (Reis et al., 2018). Healthcare is progressively using quickly evolving digital information and communication technology, among other things (Dowding, 2013; Murphy, 2010; Nohl-Deryk et al., 2018; Sensmeier, 2011). This trend's components include the digitization of many healthcare practises and services (Wu et al., 2009; Sensmeier, 2011), which has facilitated the creation of and access to telehealth and telemedicine, wearable technology, health portals, and personalised medicine (European Commission, 2012: Sensmeier, 2009). According to reports, digitalization can also boost hospital performance by enabling tailored patient care, lowering costs, and enhancing costeffectiveness (Murphy, 2009; Gastaldi & Corso, 2012, Tresp et al., 2016).

The WHO (2016) views digital competence as a component of human capital that necessitates ongoing education to keep existing skills current with new information and technology advancements. A related notion called "digital health" is the use of theoretical, technological, and methodological expertise to address issues with healthcare prevention, diagnosis, and treatment by incorporating digital technology (Aakhus et al., 2018; Zhang et al., 2018). Competence is a contentious concept, and there is little agreement on what it entails, but in this context it is understood to be a comprehensive combination of the knowledge, performance, skills, values, and/or attitudes needed for the successful completion of particular tasks or activities (Cowan et al., 2005).

Previous studies on the integration of digitalization into patient care (Sewerin et al., 2018; Kuhn et al., 2018; Zhang et al., 2018) and medicine (Kuhn et al., 2018) have heavily emphasised topics pertaining to medical science. However, organisational structures and conflicting or impeding stakeholder-specific interests have been recognised as barriers to

effective digitalization in healthcare (Nohl-Deryk et al., 2018). Healthcare personnel need to be able to integrate new technological solutions into clinical practise, but the skills necessary for successful digitalization in healthcare settings have not been clearly identified. This is another potential issue that has received less attention (Sensmeier, 2009). In light of the aforementioned definition of competence, this study focuses on the knowledge, abilities, and attitudes that healthcare professionals need to adopt in order to incorporate digital technology in the context of patient care. According to the WHO (2013), healthcare workers include dental technicians, occupational therapists, physical therapists, employees from nursing homes, medical technology specialists, and others.

There are a number of contextual elements that affect how competent healthcare practitioners are with digitalization. For instance, it has been claimed that digitalization is accepted by healthcare professionals when they believe it will benefit patients and support workflow processes. In contrast, negative attitudes and experiences, as well as a lack of competence, are said to frustrate and prevent people from embracing new technologies (Murphy, 2009). De Veer and Francke (2010) discovered, for instance. that the type of healthcare organisation a staff member works for, their prior exposure to EPRs, the number of hours they work per week, and their perception of the usefulness of EPRs in relation to the calibre of care all had an impact on their attitudes toward electronic patient records (EPRs). Similar to this, Buntin et al. (2011) discovered a link between dissatisfaction with technical implementation and unfavourable results. To identify the educational and organisational requirements to increase the efficiency of digitalization, it is necessary to have a wider understanding of the skill areas and experience in digitalization of healthcare professionals. This knowledge gap is addressed by the systematic review that is described here.

Material and methods

Aims

By identifying crucial areas of competency for digitalization in healthcare settings, outlining the competencies of healthcare professionals in these areas, and identifying factors associated to their competence, this systematic review seeks to close the knowledge gap mentioned above.

Three particular research inquiries were answered:

 In terms of digitalization in healthcare settings, what are the main areas of expertise?
 What elements influence the digital

proficiency of healthcare professionals?3. What kind of digitalization-related experiences do healthcare professionals have?

Search techniques

The PRISMA flow diagram in Figure 1 and the subsequent sections both provide illustrations of the search and selection techniques used. We looked for pertinent material in four databases: Academic Search Premiere (EBSCO), Medline (Ovid), Web of Science, and CINAHL (EBSCO). According to the PICOS review process, inclusion criteria were established based on participants (P=participants), phenomena of interest outcomes or (O=outcomes / I=phenomena of interest), context (C=context), and type of research (S=type of studies) (CRD, 2009; JBI, 2014). Studies' eligibility was evaluated using the inclusion criteria (Aromataris & Pearson, 2014). Healthcare settings, including primary and specialised healthcare sectors, served as the context. Original peer-reviewed research that were either quantitative or qualitative and published between 2012 and 2017 were the papers that were selected for the review. The only language allowed was English, Japanese and Finnish. According to the PICOS inclusion criteria, which were paired with Boolean operators, the search terms were divided into four distinct sets of keywords (Aromataris & Riitano, 2014). (Figure 1).

A final of 12 original research in all, five quantitative and seven qualitative, were evaluated for quality. Two researchers independently conducted the procedure of choosing the studies, and then they reached an agreement. Throughout the selecting procedure, there was no disagreement between the two researchers.

Data gathering

Table 1 lists information taken from the original articles about the author, year, country of origin, purpose of the study, participants, method of data collecting and analysis, and key findings. Data extraction is intended to make it simple for other researchers to find out the relevant details regarding study characteristics and results (CRD, 2009).

By categorising data in accordance with digitalization competence categories, quantitative findings were assessed. The analysis comprised studies with various foci, designs, methods, samples, data processing techniques, and outcomes. In this systematic review, meta-analyses were not allowed because none of the identified factors were related to the same result in all of the included papers.

Results

The five initial quantitative studies were carried out in Finland (Koivunen et al., 2014), Australia (Sands et al., 2012), Turkey (Secginli et al., 2014), Thailand (Kijsanayotin et al., 2009), and the United States (Wilson et al., 2013). The seven initial qualitative studies were carried out in Finland (Anttila et al., 2008), Sweden (Holmström & Höglund, 2007; Munck et al., 2011), the Netherlands (van Houwelingen et al., 2016), Australia (O'Connell et al., 2007), the United States (Zuzelo et al., 2013), and the United Kingdom (Zuzelo et al., 2013). (Snooks et al., 2008). These studies covered tele-health (n=2), telephone triage (n=1), telenursing (n=2), electronic health records (n=1), wireless communication devices (n=1), computerised equipment (n=1), information technologybased patient education (n=1), and health information technology (n=1). A wide spectrum of healthcare professionals, including registered and licenced practical nurses, midwives, healthcare workers, public healthcare specialists, and nurse managers, participated in the original studies.

The ability to make ethical decisions regarding the use of digital technology in patient care has been identified as a key area of competence from quantitative and qualitative studies, including knowledge of digital technology (Sands et al., 2012), digital skills needed to provide good patient care (Kijsanayotin et al., 2009), social and communication skills (Munck et al., 2011), and the ability to use digital technology in patient care. According to reports, healthcare workers also require the drive and willingness to gain experience with digitization in their professional setting (Koivunen et al., 2014; O'Connell et al., 2007). (Anttila et al., 2008; Snooks et al., 2008; Zuzelo et al., 2008). Additionally, according to reports, organisational and collegial support are crucial elements in creating great experiences for healthcare practitioners (Munck et al., 2008; Secginli et al., 2014; van Houwelingen et al., 2016; Zuzelo et al., 2008).

Areas of Digitalization Competence and Related Factors

The knowledge of telephone triage and telenursing, the use of health information technology skills, attitudes regarding intention to use health information technology, beliefs regarding the advantages or disadvantages of technology, and motivation were used to define the areas of competence in digitalization. Job position, workplace, team climate, and attitudes toward wireless communication devices were all factors that were associated to healthcare professionals' competency in the digitization of healthcare.

According to Sands et al. (2012), skills (Kijsanayotin et al., 2009), and attitudes (Sands et al., 2012), healthcare personnel are competent in digitization (Koivunen et al., 2014; Secginli et al., 2014; Wilson et al., 2013). According to a study on the core competencies of mental health telephone triage (MHTT), both telenursing and mental health

telephone triage require a specific level of competence. Additionally, competency in digitalization is directly related to competence in a clinical expertise area. According to Kijsanayotin et al. (2009), healthcare personnel must be proficient in using health information technology (IT) in their daily work. According to Kijsanayotin et al. (2009), attitudes towards digitalization in healthcare were described in terms of performance and effort expectations regarding technology and voluntariness, beliefs held by healthcare professionals regarding the advantages or disadvantages of technology, and motivation to use health information technology (Koivunen et al., 2014).

Three studies covered relevant topics (Koivunen et al., 2014; Secginli et al., 2014; Wilson et al., 2013). The job title (Koivunen et al., 2014; Secginli et al., 2014), employment at a hospital (Secginli et al., 2014), team climate (Koivunen et al., 2014), perceived behavioural control (Wilson et al., 2013), and attitude toward using wireless communication devices were the statistically significant factors mentioned in these studies (Wilson et al., 2013). According to Koivunen et al. (2014), nurse managers were more likely (89 percent) than both registered nurses (85 percent) and licenced practical nurses (80 percent) to be highly motivated to use information and communication technologies. According to Secginli et al. (2014), job status also affects how healthcare professionals view the advantages of electronic health records. For example, 89 percent of participating physicians thought that EHRs reduced the need for paper-based documentation, compared to 77 percent of participating nurses and midwives (p=0.05).

The incentive to use information and communication technology, according to Koivunen et al. (2014), was linked to perceptions of support for creativity and task orientation as well as experiences of a team climate and safe involvement. According to respondents, safe participation—which includes perceived safety at work, influence over decisions, information sharing, and frequency of interactionswas evaluated as the most crucial component (72 percent, p=0.02). Task orientation (67 percent, p=0.04), which explains how team members interact to foster superior teamwork, was the second most significant factor impacting motivation to use information and communication technology. The importance of support for innovation (65 percent, p=0.04), which includes time, cooperation, practical assistance, and resources for the implementation of innovative ideas and proposals, was also highly rated (Koivunen et al. 2014).

Experiences of healthcare workers with digitalization

Three primary themes—professional knowledge and abilities, healthcare professionals' attitudes, and psychosocial and organisational factors—were used to characterise how healthcare professionals experienced digitalization.

Strong professional knowledge and skills are necessary to be proficient in digitalization.

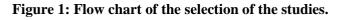
Healthcare professionals must recognise ethical issues and make independent decisions, have knowledge of clinical practise, and possess a wide variety of professional skills, according to statements in the articles chosen for the first theme (competence in digitalization requires strong professional knowledge and skills). Healthcare workers must respond with independent and instinctive decisions when using technology because it can lead to ethical issues. Because patients' independence, integrity, and autonomy as well as identification verification were seen to be problematic (Holmström & Höglund, 2007; van Houvelingen et al., 2016), some authors highlighted the ethical concerns linked to telenursing. Healthcare personnel must be proficient in digitalization and have a working understanding of clinical practise. For instance, telenurses require strong analytical abilities in addition to clinical procedure and pharmacology expertise (van Houwelingen et al., 2016). (Sands et al., 2012).

The range of professional abilities required for a healthcare worker to be proficient in digitalization is extensive. For use of teletechnology, communication and social interaction skills are necessary. Additionally crucial for engaging with many stakeholders and patients' families are social interaction skills (Munck et al., 2011; Sands et al., 2012). A variety of practical skills are also required for healthcare practitioners. For instance, telenurses need to be able to identify drug and alcohol problems, manage various therapeutic approaches and de-escalation techniques, promote patients' empowerment and self-management, and manage time (Sands et al., 2012; van Houwelingen et al., 2016). (Sands et al., 2012). Telenurses must also record calls, report them, and compile data (Sands et al., 2012). Additionally, using technology in healthcare environments typically necessitates users to be adept at ahead planning, managing a variety of scenarios, and identifying the requirements of patients and their families (Munck et al., 2011). The attitudes of healthcare workers that are founded on experiences affect their competency in digitalization.

The fact that many healthcare professionals have unfavourable attitudes toward technology education is a key finding in relation to the second theme (the competency of healthcare professionals in digitalization is influenced by their unique attitudes, which are created via experiences). For instance, Anttila et al. (2008) discovered that information technology education was perceived as being timeconsuming, meaningless, and underresourced (offering poorly understood advantages). Additionally, they discovered that prejudices and a lack of motivation prevented patients from using technology, and interestingly, a patient's lack of motivation grew when they had more advanced information technology skills and when using the technology either required extra effort or was not considered to be the main task (Anttila et al., 2008). Prejudices that may prevent people from using technology include concerns about privacy and being overheard (Wilson et al., 2013), a lack of comprehension of the technology's function, and feelings of difficulty or discomfort (Anttila et al., 2008). The knowledge and confidence that healthcare workers have in using technology is allegedly influenced by their experiences as well (Munck et al., 2011; O'Connell et al., 2007). According to O'Connell et al., on the other hand, a lack of experience reduces familiarity with technology (2007). The degree of technology usage is negatively impacted by age (Snooks et al., 2008; Zuzelo et al., 2008), resistance to change (Wilson et al., 2013; Zuzelo et al., 2008), and prior experiences with technology usage (Zuzelo et al., 2008).

Technologies have a variety of reported consequences on the standard of care and the relationships between caregivers. According to Anttila et al. (2008), the use of technology can improve the patient-nurse connection, but it can also damage it by diverting attention away from the patient to the technology (Munck et al. 2011; O'Connell et al. 2007). Technology can break up care (Zuzelo et al., 2008). Technology can make healthcare professionals feel uncertain (Munck et al., 2011; O'Connell et al., 2007; Zuzelo et al., 2008), and using it may cause stress (Munck et al., 2008; Snooks et al., 2008) and frustration (O'Connell et al., 2007; Zuzelo et al., 2008). However, Munck et al. (2011) found that secure use of technology While some healthcare workers may worry about losing their clinical judgement and practical abilities,

others may get inspiration from technology (Zuzelo et al., 2008). (Snooks et al., 2008; Wilson et al. 2013; Zuzelo et al., 2008). While using technology, some medical professionals have experienced negative feelings like worry and anxiety (Snooks et al., 2008).



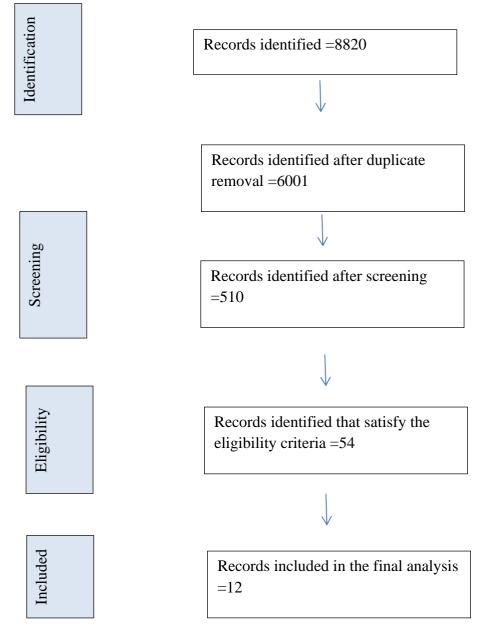


TABLE 1: INCLUDED STUDIES

Authors	Purpose	Participants	Methodology,	Key findings / Results	Quality
, year,			Data collection,		assessme
and country			and Data analysis		nt
Kijsanayotin, B.,	To understand factors that	Health workers, nurses and public	An observational research design;	Response rate 82%. Intention to use health IT is a function of the perception of health IT's utility (performance	MAStARI 5/9
Pannarunoth	influence health	health specialists	research design,	expectancy), ease of use (effort expectancy), as well as how	517
ai, S.,	informational	(n=1607).	A cross-sectional	important it is to others that an employee uses health IT	
Speedie,	technology (IT)		national survey by	(social influence) and whether one has a choice in the use of	
S.M., 2009,	acceptance and use		self-administered	IT (voluntariness). The predictive power of these four factors	
Thailand	in community		questionnaire;	was substantial, accounting for more than half of the variance	
	health centers in			in the intention to use IT. Among these four influencing	
	Thailand, as well		Statistical analysis;	factors, performance expectancy was by far the strongest	
	as to validate the tested IT adoption			predicting factor.	
	model in the				
	context of				
	healthcare in a				
	developing				
	country.				
	To identify factors				
	that predict survey				
	respondents				
	intention to use				
	health IT and how				
	they use this				
	technology in Thai				
	community health centers				
	centers				

	in Thailand.				
Koivunen,	To describe team	Nursing staff,	Quantitative study	Response rate 81%. Nurses' motivation to use ICT is	MAStARI
M., Anttila,	climate and	registered nurses,	design, descriptive	positively correlated with experienced team climate, in	6/9
М.,	attitudes toward	practical nurses and	survey;	particular, participative safety (r=0.335, p=0.021), support	
Kuosmane	ICT among nursing	nurse managers (n=		for innovation (r=0.251, p=0.042) and task orientation	
n, L.,	staff in acute	146)	Questionnaires (TCI,	(r=0.267, p=0.042). Nurse managers' motivation to use ICT	
Katajisto,	psychiatric wards,		Burkes' ICT	was significantly higher than that of practical nurses and	
J.,	as well as present		attitude);	registered nurses (p=0.006).	
Välimäki,	how these				
M., 2014,	factors are		Statistical analysis		
Finland	associated with		(SPSS);		
	each other.				
Sands, N.,	To identify the	Mental health	Quantitative study	Over a three-year period, 197 occasions of mental health	MAStARI
Elsom, S.,	core competencies	triage healthcare	design,	telephone triage (MHTT) were observed. Clinicians	5/9
Gerdtz, M.,	of mental health	workers (n=18)	observational	participating in mental health telephone triage must be	
Henderson,	telephone triage,		design;	competent in: opening the call; mental status examination;	
К.,	including the key			risk assessment; planning and action; call termination;	
Keppich-	roles, tasks, skills,		MHTS instrument	referral and reporting; and documentation. In addition,	
Arnold, S.,	knowledge and		with 42- items;	healthcare workers require specific skills (crisis	
Droste, N.,	responsibilities		MHTTCOT	assessment/intervention, therapeutic	
Prematunga,	necessary to		instrument with 58-	approaches/interventions, negotiating, time management,	
R.K.,	perform safe and		item instrument;	resource management communication/information transfer)	
Wereta,	effective triage.			and knowledge (community resources, psychopharmacology,	
Z.W., 2012,			Statistical analysis;	co-morbidity and complexity, youth- and age-specific, drug	
Australia	To produce			and alcohol, legal) relevant to effective MHTT.	
	findings that may				
	contribute to the				

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	evidence base for mental health triage practice, which is currently underdevelo ped.				
Secginli S., Erdogan S.,	To understand healthcare professionals' attitudes	Healthcare professionals from 129 Family Health	A cross-sectional, descriptive study design;	Response rate 43%. The majority of respondents agreed with benefit items, but physicians were more likely to agree that EHRs decrease paper-based	MAStARI 6/9
Monsen K.A.,	towards, and	Centers (FHCs):		documentation (p=0.007).	
2014,	satisfaction with,	(n=325)	Questionnaires;		
Turkey	electronic health records (EHRs) in primary health care settings.		Statistical analysis;	The majority of respondents disagreed with most of the barrier items, with physicians and nurses/midwives providing significantly different responses regarding data security and cost (p=0.01). Physicians were more likely to agree that EHR costs are barriers to use.	
Wilson, R.,	To document the	Nurses in the ICU	Cross-sectional study	Forty (32%) and 36 (29%) registered nurses (RNs) completed	MAStARI
Duhn, L.,	perceptions and	before (n=40) and	design; Structured	the questionnaire before and after WCD implementation,	5/9
Gonzales, P.,	attitudes of nurses in	after implementation	questionnaires;	respectively. There were significant differences in both	
Hall, S.,	an ICU (intensive	(n=36)	Statistical analysis;	attitudes toward using the WCD (p<0.01) and perceived	
Chan, Y.E.,	care unit) before and			behavioral control (p<0.01) pre- and post-implementation.	
VanDenKerkh					
of, E.G.,	implementation of				
2013, USA	WCDs (wireless				
	communication devices).				

Anttila M.,	To describe nurses'	Nurses (n=56)	Qualitative research;	IT added value to the patient-nurse relationship. IT education	QARI 7/10
Koivunen M.,	experiences of the	working in acute		was a motivating method, as well as innovative and inspiring	
Välimäki M.,	IT- based	wards in two	Questionnaire with	for nurses. The method could modernize nursing and was	
2008,	standardized patient	psychiatric hospitals	open- ended items;	shown to be a promising new tool. Participants were also able	
Finland	education program	(n=9) that participated		to add a new dimension to their professional skills, to receive	
	in inpatient	in the IT- based	Qualitative content	new information about diseases and their treatment options	
	psychiatric care	patient education	analysis;	and to develop their technology skills. The portal was a	
	from both the	program.		supportive, fast and thorough information source which was	
	nursing and patient			pleasant for nurses to use. A lack of IT skills was found to	
	perspectives.			prevent healthcare workers from deriving the maximum	
				benefit from computers and the Internet.	
Holmström I.,	To describe the	Female telenurses	Qualitative approach	The study identified five themes of ethical dilemmas that are	QARI 9/10
Höglund A.T.,	ethical dilemmas, in	(n=12)		present in telenursing: talking through a third party; discussing	
2007,	the form of		Open-ended	personal and sensitive problems over the phone; insufficient	
Sweden	conflicting values,		interviews, two	resources and the organization of health care; balancing	
	norms and interests,		rounds;	callers' information needs with professional responsibility;	
	which telenurses			and differences in judging the caller's credibility. Questions of	
	experience in their		Thematic analysis;	autonomy, integrity and prioritization were highlighted by the	
	work.			participating nurses. The study argues that telenursing is	
				particularly sensitive to ethical demands and suggests that	
				opportunities for ethical competence building should be	
				provided so that telenurses can decrease moral	
				uncertainty and distress.	
van	To identify the	Phase II Delphi-study:	Qualitative research	All telenursing activities, except for providing psychosocial	QARI 7/10
Houwelingen,	competencies that	round I: experts n=51	method, Delphi-study;	support and encouraging patients to undertake health	
С.Т.М.,	nurses need to	round II: experts n=32		promotion activities, require multiple knowledge sources,	
Moerman,	possess before they	round III: experts	Qualitative analysis;	including clinical and procedural knowledge. Communication	
А.Н.,	can be trusted to	n=25 round IV:		skills, coaching skills, the ability to combine clinical	
Ettema,	perform specific	experts n=3, authors		experience with telehealth, clinical knowledge, ethical	
R.G.A.,	telenursing.	n=3		awareness and a supportive attitude were seen as the most	

Kort, H.S.M.,				important competencies telenurses should possess.	
ten Cate, O.,					
2016,					
Netherlands					
Munck, B.,	To describe district	District nurses	A descriptive design	Five distinct categories emerged: 1) medical technology led to	QARI 9/10
Fridlund, B.,	nurses' perceptions	working with	with a	vulnerability in district nurses' work situations because of	
Mårtensson,	of medical	palliative homecare	phenomenographic	increasing demands and changing tasks;	
J., 2011,	technology in	(n=16)	approach;	2) medical technology demanded collaboration between all	
Sweden	palliative homecare.			involved actors; 3) medical technology demanded self-	
			Semi-structured	reliance; 4) awareness of managing medical technology in a	
			interviews;	patient-safe way; 5) medical technology provided freedom for	
				the palliative patients. Lack of time and continuity, in	
			Data analyses were	combination with increased	
			performed in a seven-	workload, created uncertainty that could potentially jeopardize	
			step	patient safety.	
			process according to	District nurses need regular training on medical devices, must	
			Dahlgren and	be more specialized in this kind of care and must not fragment	
			Fallsberg (1991)	their working time with other specialties.	
			approach;		
O'Connell,	To explore the	Nursing staff (n=6):	Qualitative research	Participants identified a range of formal and informal	QARI 8/10
М.,	education and	nurses from fully	method,	education and training sources available within the ICU	
Reid, B.,	training experiences	computerized ICU	phenomenological	setting, articulating both positive and negative experiences of	
O'Loughlin,	of intensive care unit	(n=3), nurses from	approach;	using computerized technologies. The level of confidence in	
K., 2007,	(ICU) registered	partially computerized		using computerized technologies was clearly related to years	
Australia	nurses in using	ICU (n=3)	Semi-structured, in-	of experience and differentiated clinical nursing roles, and	
	computerized		depth interviews;	reflected whether a nurse worked in a fully- or partially-	
	technologies, as well			computerized unit.	
	as assess the		Thematic analyses,		
	relationship this		categorizing;		
	education has with				

	role performance]
	and level of clinical				
	experience.	N. (00)			0 A DI 5/10
Snooks, H.A.,	To understand the	Nurses (n=92)	Qualitative study	Respondents represented a highly educated workforce from a	QARI 5/10
Williams,	impact of	working in NHSDW	design;	range of healthcare specialties. 'Two-thirds reported improved	
A.M.,	telenursing from the	(National Health		job satisfaction after the implementation of new technologies.	
Griffiths, L.	perspective of nurses	Service Direct Wales)	Structured	All focus group participants reported that decision-support	
J., Peconi, J.,	involved in its		questionnaires, focus	software as well as the remote nature of the consultation had	
Rance, J.,	provision as well as	Two focus groups:	groups;	developed their nursing skills. Participants reported	
Snelgrove, S.,	in more traditional	Telephone service		opportunities for skill development although the role could be	
Sarangi, S.,	roles	nurses; other nurses	Thematic analysis,	stressful. All of the respondents agreed that the service was	
Wainwright,		(n=13)	inductive analysis;	popular among callers, but that nurses from other sectors	
P., Cheung,				raised concerns about whether telenursing was 'real' nursing,	
W-Y., 2008,				the evidence base supporting the service, and access by	
United				disadvantaged groups.	
Kingdom					
Zuzelo, P.R.,	To describe the	Registered nurses	Qualitative research	Content analysis revealed that technologies enhanced nursing	QARI 9/10
Gettis, C.,	influence of	(n=31)	method; Focus-group	practice by improving direct care processes, patient outcomes,	-
Whitekettle	technologies on	``´´	interviews; Content	and work environments. Working with inefficient systems in	
Hansell, A.,	registered nurses'		analysis;	terms of delivery, use, and repair challenged nurses, while	
Thomas, L.,	(RN's) practice, as		-	physically-unfriendly equipment increased burdens to nurses'	
2008,	well as discuss			work Technologies led to changing nurse role expectations	
USA	which technology			and altered healthcare team dynamics.	
	characteristics			Technology-use systems require monitoring and regular	
	encourage or hinder			evaluation. System gaps create problems that potentially	
	correct use.			increase error risk and contribute to nurse	
				dissatisfaction.	

Discussion

The main objectives of this systematic review were to pinpoint crucial domains of expertise for digitalization in healthcare settings, to explain the domains of expertise of healthcare professionals, and to pinpoint factors influencing these domains of expertise. The main areas of competence included having the necessary knowledge and expertise in using digital technology to deliver high-quality, ethical patient care, social and communication skills by healthcare professionals to have the expertise in applying digital technology to health prevention, diagnoses, and treatment, motivation and willingness of healthcare professionals to integrate digitalization in their professional context, and collegial and organisational support for this. According to the review's findings, clinical knowledge and abilities are closely tied to a healthcare professional's proficiency with digital technology, which can also improve clinical workflow efficiency and patient care (Sands et al., 2012; Munck et al., 2011). However, it is obvious that proper management and communication of healthcare digitalization are necessary. The findings also demonstrate that employee views of new technologies' usability and attitudes toward them have a significant on the implementation process impact (Koivunen et al., 2014; Secginli et al., 2014; Wilson et al., 2013). According to Ingebritsen et al. (2014), the readiness of healthcare personnel to use technology is a factor in its successful deployment. Therefore, it is crucial to allow medical personnel enough time and funding to adjust to new technologies. Moreover, managers should emphasise how the technologies can enhance regular clinical practises and incorporate how to utilise new gadgets into their employees' daily tasks. Additional investigation into the usage of significant health information technology is also necessary (Agarwal et al., 2010).

The analysis also found that a professional's job title had a substantial impact on how proficient

they were with digitalization (Koivunen et al., 2014; Secginli et al., 2014). For instance, clinical leaders' technological aptitude affects how other healthcare professionals use information technology (Ingebritsen et al., 2014). This analysis also found that the motivation of healthcare workers to employ information and communication technology is influenced by the team environment (Koivunen et al., 2014; Zuzelo et al., 2008). According to Mescó et al. (2017), when planning the implementation of technology to improve health outcomes, it is important to take cultural differences and challenges into account as well as patient needs. Additionally, digital health places the patient at the centre of point-of-care, changing the status and responsibilities of both patients and medical professionals.

Another conclusion is that organisational and psychosocial aspects have a big impact on how well-versed in digitalization healthcare workers are (Anttila et al., 2008; Munck et al., 2008; O'Connell et al., 2007; Snooks et al., 2008). According to Rippen et al. (2012), it's critical to support technology utilisation in businesses by offering enough tools and resources, as well as a positive work atmosphere. Additionally, businesses should make sure that their staff members have ample time and chances to learn how to use new technologies (Salahuddin & Ismail, 2015). Shared objectives and a supportive organisational culture are necessary for successful technology use (Cresswell & Sheikn, 2013). Because organisational climate and attitudes affect the adoption of new technologies, academic support is essential (Rippen et al., 2013). The safe use of technology is also increased by teamwork and education (Salahuddin & Ismail, 2015), however organisations should carefully competency evaluate the levels and developmental requirements of staff when organising training on its use (Wu et al., 2009).

Due to the complexity of the process and the requirement for both the organization's and its personnel's dedication and readiness, previous studies have also underlined the necessity for organisational assistance during the adoption of technology (Cresswell & Sheikh, 2013). To elaborate, organisational support, clear procedures, and suitable resources are needed for successful implementation (Rippen et al., 2013). Because they may have either a good or negative impact on the result, factors related to the work environment are essential for successful implementation (Rippen et al., 2013). Managers should be aware that no strategy may be appropriate in every circumstance, but that many practises can be combined, adjusted, and/or exploited to speed up the adoption of new technologies (Abbott et al., 2014). But it's crucial to understand that the views and experiences of healthcare professionals will affect their desire and motivation to utilise technology, with unfavourable attitudes and experiences contributing to a lack of staff enthusiasm to use technology (Buntin et al., 2011).

It's also crucial to remember that, in order to optimise the advantages for each individual, effective technology use necessitates frequent training updates that account for differences in digitalization competencies across healthcare workers (Cresswell & Sheikh, 2013; Murphy, 2010). (Abbot et al., 2014; de Veer & Francke, 2010). Finally, since digitalization alters professionals' roles, healthcare services, and clinical practises, further clarification of the diverse competencies necessary for successful digitalization and associated factors is necessary to meet needs, take advantage of opportunities, and adjust to changes in the constantly shifting healthcare environment (Sensmeier, 2011).

This review has a number of limitations. First, the findings demonstrate that organisational and psychosocial factors have a significant impact on healthcare professionals' competency in digitization. In light of the fact that the evaluated research were carried out in various nations and that the participants had a range of socioeconomic backgrounds, questions are raised about the validity of direct comparisons of the studies (although it may reinforce overall conclusions). Further casting doubt on the validity of this comparison is the fact that various countries' levels of digitalization vary. Additionally, the examined studies used diverse datasets, which makes data analysis more difficult (Aromataris & Pearson, 2014).

Conclusion

The findings of this review indicate that knowledge and proficiency in digital technology can improve patient care, but healthcare personnel must see the advantages of employing technology. To remove any potential barriers to the development of a loving relationship between healthcare personnel and patients, ethical decision-making about the use of digital technology in patient care should also be publicly discussed. Healthcare workers need organisational and peer support when implementing new technologies because demand for their use in the industry is always rising. Organizations are in charge of setting up the necessary tools, space, and resources for technology use as well as providing staff with the time and chances to master new technologies. Successful technology use requires ongoing education that takes participants' competencies into account.

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