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Dear readers,

It is a great honor to share with you the last issue of our journal in 2020. The year 2020 has been very challenging for all humanity. The COVID-19 pandemic, the most important health problem of the last century, still continues to affect the whole world. In this process, nurses took new decisions and took the front rows to serve the society, and they continue to do so. The spread of COVID-19 infection in our country is tried to be kept under control with the decisions of the Turkish Ministry of Health and the national scientific board. Turkish nurses, on the other hand, work effectively in all areas of nursing. Public health nurses in patient detection, surveillance and training, nurses working in hospitals in direct patient care, school health nurses in protecting the health of students, occupational health nurses in protecting the health of employees, home care nurses and nurses working in the field of elderly in direct care and surveillance are working with great devotion. Nurses in academy are conducting new studies to produce evidence that can be used in the control of the epidemic and in the direct care of patients. All these hardwork shows the extraordinary power of nursing. In this context, we have included 12 research articles, 1 case report and 1 editor letter in this issue. Articles titled “Meanings of the Feelings and Thoughts on Children's Hematology and Oncology Service Nurses’ Experience: A Qualitative Study”, “Evaluating the Job Satisfaction of Nurses Working in Pediatric Clinics in Terms of Eleven Dimensions and the Influencing Factors” and “The Effect of Multidimensional Training Program to Children with Functional The Constipation and Fecal Incontinence on Children's and Their Mothers’ Anxiety and Constipation Management” highlight the various dimensions of pediatric health nursing. The articles titled “Determining Attitudes of Nurses Toward Evidence-Based Nursing in a University Hospital Sample” and “Organizational Citizenship Behavior among Nurses: The Influence of Organizational Trust and Job Satisfaction” focus on the evidence-based practice and job satisfaction of nurses working in clinics. Three of the other studies were conducted on dialysis patients, pirimipara mothers and patients with diabetes. In this issue, there are two research articles on oncology nursing that have studied women with breast cancer and patients with breast and colorectal cancer. Other research articles are scale validity and reliability studies and studies on improving nursing students’ compliance to practice. The case study in this issue is about a training module developed for male nursing students to learn the birth process. Finally, our letter to the editor titled “The Nursing Now Campaign in the Fight Against COVID-19: Possibilities for Nurses” provides new information about the disease COVID-19.

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