Dear Colleagues,

At the beginning of summer 2016, we are glad to present the second issue of Volume IV in the seventh year of our journal. We had been planning to include in our website the Turkish pdf files of the articles that are published in English with the purpose of reaching international readers and taking another step for giving our journal an international aspect. However, this was delayed by certain technical problems. We wish to solve this problem as soon as possible and present you the articles in both English and Turkish.

This issue includes six research papers, which are “Effect of passive music therapy on sleep quality among elderly people living in nursing home”, an example that nursing interventions incrementally include artistic processes; “Psychosocial adjustment to disease in individuals with diabetes” and “Investigating alexithymia and social support in patients with hypertension and asthma”, two studies about the mental problems related to physical illnesses; “Alexithymia in depressive, anxiety, somatoform and psychotic disorders: A comparative study”, “Analysis of The Relationship Between Burden of Caregivers of Patients with Schizophrenia and Their Mental Health Condition”, and “Aggressive tendencies of the nursing students and related factors”, a study about nursing students. Moreover, this issue include two reviews of literature titled “Nursing Presence: A Theoretical Overview”, and “The Use of Theories In Psychiatric Nursing-II”, the first part of which was published in the previous issue.

We would be glad to receive your suggestions, critical views and support to improve ourselves.

Best regards.

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