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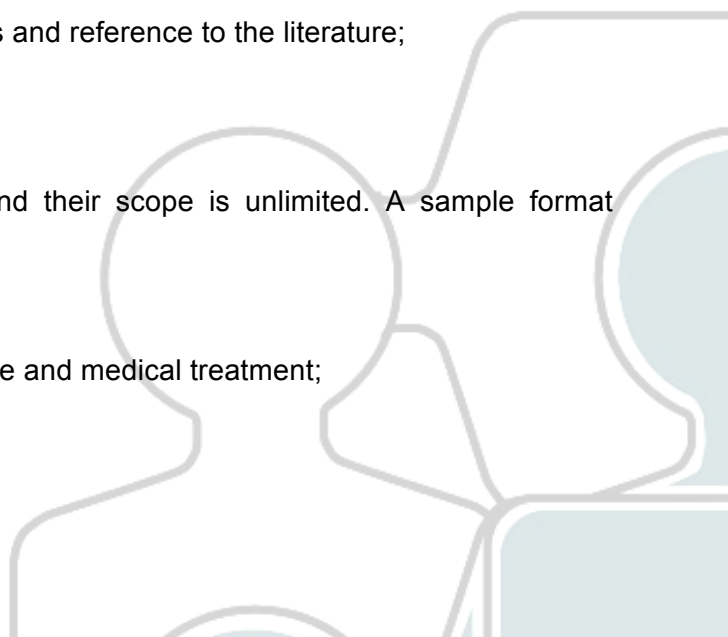
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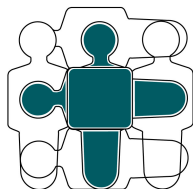
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- Nursing outcomes/ implications;
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Unit review and nurse/co-ordinator profile

- Title;
- Introduction;
- Unit, nurse or coordinator description;
- Future directions;
- Conclusion;
- References (if applicable).
- Include pictures.

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- Title
- Complete author's names & credentials
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Abstract

- 100 – 250 words

Manuscript

- 1500 – 5000 words
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