BSC IN NURSING STUDIES

BC AL1336/5/14

ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING

Maintaining Body Temperature

Questions

What physiological effects occur when the body temperature rises or falls considerably?

What do research findings indicate about current nursing assessments of temperature?

Activities

1. Examine the temperature charts of patients on your ward, and link your observations to knowledge of the patients' illnesses.

2. Discuss with ward staff the reasons for temperature measurments

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