



Prof Dr Hamidah Hassan (sitting in the middle) has come with an idea for the outing where she was inspired by University Adelaide her former university she studied.

BUILDING CAPACITY IN RESEARCH THROUGH SOCIALIZATION

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On 29th August 2020 around 10 am, a group consist of 3 Supervisor and 9 enthusiastic post graduate candidates get together outside UMS for research development while socializing. This simple get together between the supervisor and supervisee was started with ice breaking. The supervisee are five HUMS staff nurses, one clinical instructor from Nursing Department, one nurse manager from Queen Hospital, a Nursing Director from KPJ Hospital and as far as from Limbang, Sarawak; that is Madam Dorothy a Division Matron from Health Ministry.

With different background and the range of experience are vast between 5 to 40 years of experiences, all of these State Registered Nurses (the supervisor and supervisee) are

having good time. Nurses are inquisitive, think critically about their patients' care, and want to know the best treatments for their patients—all of which makes them perfectly suited for research. Yet research is often perceived as something undertaken by others far removed from the front lines of nursing practice. In Malaysia research were made compulsory only for nursing academician but not the nursing clinician. Now these post graduate candidates who are the nurses in clinical area were challenged to fully involved in research for their higher education.



Method of developing ideas in writing by using dummy table was explained by Prof Dr Hamidah. Explanation regarding sorting literature review given in depth. It is in chapter 2 of the proposal; candidates were taught to use BOOLEAN and MeSH indexing for literature search.



Candidates are strengthening their research proposal. This has become a moment of silent where all of them were focused with own proposal. It's also has become as if there is competition among the candidates to get the proposal done.



Socialization taken place with cake cutting for birthday girls. Note that the physical distancing by others remained. Everyone sing a birthday song from their seat and cake was cut without candle blowing. New norm has taken place!

This activates is just a beginning as next session has already been planned for “Building Research Capacity Through Picnic”

To find out more on upcoming “Building Capacity” activities, contact me at mazlinda@ums.edu.my