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Exploration of Self-care in Patients with Chronic Hepatitis: A Qualitative Study

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Introduction : Hepatitis is a chronic disease which greatly impacts patients' lives. Since patients with chronic hepatitis have special care needs, they experience many challenges. Therefore, the purpose of this study was to explore self-care in patients with chronic hepatitis. Method : This qualitative study was conducted through directed content analysis method among patients with chronic hepatitis in  $r \cdot r$  at Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Iran. The study participants were selected through purposive sampling and data was collected through semi-structured interviews. Content analysis was used to extract data from verbatim transcripts of the participants' interviews. Results : In this study, the r themes of requirements in the matrix of time and place, self-care agency, the need for change in self-care, and disease outcome were extracted. Conclusion : The results of this study showed that patients with hepatitis have specific vital, basic, sexual, physical, economical, and psychological-behavioral needs, and need for respect and belonging. These needs had .a negative impact on self-care in patients with hepatitis

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