ABSTRACT

Occurrence of infections in health care settings has spiraled for a long time; these infections have been triggered much by lack of disposal pits in the hospital, absence of personal protective equipments and antiseptics in all units in the hospital. This high trend in infections has also contributed to the prolongation of sepsis among surgical patients and, high bed occupancy rates .This study was therefore conducted to assess the adherence to infection prevention precautions among health workers in lira hospital.

The study design employed was cross sectional while purposive sampling technique was used as a sampling method in this study. The interviewer self administered questionnaire; the questionnaire comprised of both closed and open-ended questions for data collect. A total of 100 respondents' females and males were enrolled in the study. The study revealed that, majority of the respondents 70(70%) were females while only 30 (30%) were males.

In conclusion, infection prevention policies and procedures were acknowledged to maintain competency but were not satisfactorily practiced, this influenced infection prevention precaution to a lesser extent because all these were indirectly associated proper adoption of guidelines on infection control

In the light of the above, it is therefore imperative to have an ongoing education and training of facility staff to maintain competency and ensure that infection prevention policies and procedures are understood, followed environmental services workers from an outside agency to enhance the adherence level in relation to infection control.