

research and clinical validation studies (Herdman, Kamitsuru & Lopes, 2021).

Accurate nursing diagnoses are essential for the proper use of the nursing process, which is a scientific methodology that supports the clinical practice of nurses.

However, most of these studies have a cross-sectional design, this reality can bring several weaknesses regarding the knowledge of the diagnosis profile over time and, therefore, limit the development of appropriate interventions (Miguel et al., 2019).

The aim of this work is to synthesize the importance of longitudinal research in the validation of nursing diagnoses.

Critical analysis of the importance of longitudinal research in the validation of nursing diagnoses.