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Expertise Areas:

Transcultural Topics

- Clinical applications of the Concentric Sphere Family Environment Theory
- Cultural Assessment
- Transcultural intervention to families living on remote islands

Cultural Groups

- Japanese
- Chinese
- Japanese American
- Urban and rural groups

Clinical Topics

- Family health care/caring
- Pediatric Health Care
- Transcultural Nursing

Research Methodology

- Quantitative
- Qualitative (Ethnography)
- Mixed methods

Other

- Theory Development

Languages spoken, read/write*

- Japanese - Native speaker
- English - Good written, intermediate spoken

Select Publications

Honda, J. & Hohashi, N. (2014). The environment and support needs of Japanese families on temporary work assignments in the United States. *Journal of Transcultural Nursing*, in press.

Hohashi, N. & Honda, J. (2012). Development and testing of the Survey of Family Environment (SFE): A novel instrument to measure family functioning and needs for family support. *Journal of Nursing Measurement*, 20(3), 212-229.

Hohashi, N., & Honda, J. (2011). Family functioning of child-rearing Japanese families on family-accompanied work assignments in Hong Kong. *Journal of Family Nursing*, 17(4), 485-510.

Hohashi, N., & Honda, J. (2011). Development of the Concentric Sphere Family Environment Model and companion tools for culturally congruent family assessment. *Journal of Transcultural Nursing*, 22(4), 350-361.

Hohashi, N., Honda, J., & Kong, K. (2008). Validity and reliability of the Chinese version of the Feetham Family Functioning Survey (FFFS). *Journal of Family Nursing*, 14(2), 201-223.

1. What Sparked my Interest in Transcultural Nursing

As a frontrunner in family nursing studies in Japan, I have been pursuing research into family nursing. The family's existence is affected by the culture, values and beliefs of the country and region where it exists. Consequently, it is believed that intervention toward Japanese families has a high requirement for development of Japan's unique family nursing theory and model. Over approximately 15 years, I have worked on the development of the Concentric Sphere Family Environment Theory (CSFET) and have published papers on development in the *Journal of Transcultural Nursing*. With regard to the development, I have targeted families in Japan, the United States and Hong Kong with the aim of producing a middle-range family nursing theory that is applicable to families all round the world.

2. Present/Future Directions

From my current fields of research, I am covering not only macro culture in Japan, North America and Hong Kong, but also micro culture encompassing rural and urban areas in Japan, and single-parent and two-parent families. Also in the future I will continue to refine the Concentric Sphere Family Environment Theory (CSFET) to be within range of the multicultural family system unit. In addition, I would hope, through consideration of national and regional culture, values, etc., to engage in transcultural family nursing research, practice, education and contributing to society.

3. Favorite Transcultural Story

The late Dr. Madeleine M. Leininger is also well known as a theorist in Japan. The last time I saw Dr. Leininger was at the 35th Annual Conference of the Transcultural Nursing Society in Seattle. On October 14, 2009, while seated in chairs, I conversed with Dr. Leininger and photographed her. At that time, she asked me whether I wanted to photograph her seated or standing. When I replied that I preferred a photograph of us standing, she stood up for the photo, despite the fact that she was not in good physical condition at the time. It was at that moment that I gained an actual sense of the need, in transcultural nursing, to have the spirit of caring toward others.

