

# Nursing diagnoses

Nursing diagnosis is part of the nursing process. We must find the real and expected needs and problems of the patient. Discuss them with the patient if possible and work out the order of their urgency. Based on this, we will make a nursing plan.

## Classification of nursing diagnoses

The North American Association for Nursing Diagnosis International (North American Association for Nursing Diagnosis International) created the NANDA domain diagnostic system. This system contains the names of nursing diagnoses. These are combined in the international classification of nursing diagnoses NANDA - International. These nursing diagnoses are divided into so-called diagnostic domains - circuits/areas and further into so-called classes..

Establishing a nursing diagnosis must be based on the anamnesis. The concept of the **NANDA domain system** is holistic and follows the individual in all areas of personality and life. The diagnostic domains follow Gordon's functional and dysfunctional patterns of health (valid since 2000). Domains declare the inclusion of client problems in 13 unmistakable areas. The domains offer nursing diagnoses (problems) that could appear in the client when their needs are not being met. Domains are divided into **classes** and each class defines the client's problems or nursing diagnoses that could occur in one of his human needs. If any of the client's human needs are not within the norm corresponding to age, development and culture, we speak of a nursing problem or a nursing diagnosis. Each nursing diagnosis is determined by so-called diagnostic elements: **numerical code**, **definition**, defining features, related or risk factors.<sup>[1]</sup>

We divide diagnoses into three basic groups:

- **current** - when the dysfunction of a need is determined, e.g. acute pain, functional urinary incontinence, etc.,
- **potencial** - the client is at risk of a possible nursing problem, e.g. risk of constipation, risk of infection,
- **educational** - to support health, when no dysfunctions are proven, but with education and support we can improve the condition, the client behaves appropriately, but improvement can be achieved, e.g. willingness to improve the treatment regimen, willingness to improve nutrition. When creating nursing diagnoses, we always proceed according to the given scheme, which differs for each group. <sup>[2]</sup>

## Diagnostic domains

According to the NANDA system, we distinguish the following '13 diagnostic domains':

1. *Health support* (**class:** health management)
2. *Nutrition* (**class:** food intake, hydration)
3. *Excretion and exchange* (**class:** urinary excretion, gastrointestinal function, respiratory function)
4. *Activity, rest* (**class:** sleep - rest, activity - movement, energy balance, cardiopulmonary response, self-care)
5. *Perception/cognition* (**class:** attention, orientation, hearing - perception, cognition, communication)
6. *Self-perception* (**class:** self-concept, self-esteem, body image)
7. *Relationships* (**class:** caregiver roles, family relationships, role performance)
8. *Sexuality* (**class:** sexual function)
9. *Coping, stress resistance* (**class:** post-traumatic response, coping response, neurobehavioral stress)
10. *Life principle* (**class:** beliefs, alignment of values/beliefs and actions)
11. *Safety/Protection* (**class:** infection, bodily harm, violence, environmental hazards, defense processes, thermoregulation)
12. *Comfort* (**class:** physical comfort, social comfort)
13. *Growth, development* (**class:** growth, development)

## Standardized names of nursing diagnoses according to NANDA

Numerical codes and names.

### 1. Health promotion

**00078** Ineffective treatment regimen  
**00099** Inefficient health support  
**00080** Ineffective family treatment regimen  
**00081** Ineffective community healing mode  
**00082** Effective treatment regimen  
**00162** Willingness to improve treatment regimen  
**00084** Seeking for a healthy lifestyle  
**00163** Willingness to improve nutrition<br

## 2. Nutrition

**00107** Inefficient infant feeding  
**00103** Impaired swallowing  
**00002 Undernutrition**  
**00001** Overnutrition  
**00003** Risk of overnutrition  
**00027** Deficiency of body fluids  
**00026** Increased volume of body fluids  
**00028** Risk of body fluid deficit  
**00025** Risk of imbalanced body fluid volume  
**00160** Willingness to improve fluid balance

## 3. Exclusion and Exchange

**00016** Impaired voiding of urine  
**00021** Complete urinary incontinence  
**00023** Urinary retention  
**00020** Functional urinary incontinence  
**00017** Stress Urinary Incontinence  
**00018** Reflex urinary incontinence  
**00019** Urgent urinary incontinence  
**00022** Risk of Urinary Urinary Incontinence  
**00166** Willingness to improve urination

**00014** Faecal incontinence  
**00013** Diarrhea  
**00011** Constipation  
**00012** Habitual constipation  
**00015** Risk of constipation

**00030** Violated gas exchange

## 4. Activity, rest

**00095** Disturbed sleep  
**00096** Sleep deprivation  
**00165** Willingness to improve sleep

**00085** Impaired mobility  
**00091** Impaired mobility in bed  
**00089** Impaired control of the mobile cart  
**00090** Impaired ability to move  
**00088** Broken walk  
**00097** Lack of interest activities  
**00100** Delayed postoperative recovery  
**00168** Sedentary lifestyle  
**00040** Risk of immobilization syndrome

**00050** Violated internal energy  
**00093** Fatigue

**00029** Decreased cardiac output  
**00033** Weakened breathing  
**00032** Inefficient breathing  
**00092** Activity intolerance  
**00034** Dysfunctional ventilatory disconnection  
**00024** Inefficient tissue perfusion  
**00094** Risk of activity intolerance

**00109** Self-care deficit in dressing and grooming  
**00108** Self-care deficit in bathing and hygiene  
**00102** Self-care deficit while eating  
**00110** Deficit in self-care when defecating

## 5. Perception / Cognition

**00123** Neglecting one side of the body

**00127** Corrupted interpretation of surroundings  
**00154** Wandering

**00122** Disorder of sensory perception

**00126** Deficit knowledge  
**00128** Acute confusion  
**00129** Chronic confusion  
**00131** Damaged memory  
**00130** Impaired thinking  
**00161** Willingness to supplement deficient knowledge

**00051** Impaired verbal communication  
**00157** Willingness to improve communication

#### **6. Perception of self**

**00121** Disrupted personal identity  
**00125** Helplessness  
**00124** Hopelessness  
**00152** Risk of helplessness  
**00054** Risk of loneliness  
**00167** Willingness to improve self-concept  
  
**00119** Chronically low self-esteem  
**00120** Situationally low self-esteem  
**00153** Risk of situationally reduced self-esteem  
  
**00118** Distorted body image

#### **7. Relationships**

**00061** Caregiver overload  
**00056** Impaired parental role  
**00062** Risk of caregiver overload  
**00057** Risk of deteriorating parental role  
**00164** Willingness to improve the parental role  
  
**00060** Disrupted family life  
**00063** Dysfunctional family life with alcoholism  
**00058** Risk of weakening the parent-child bond  
**00159** Willingness to improve family function  
**00104** Ineffective breastfeeding  
**00105** Interrupted breastfeeding  
**00055** Inefficient role performance  
**00064** Parent role conflict  
**00052** Impaired social interaction  
**00106** Effective breastfeeding

#### **8. Sexuality**

**00059** Sexual Dysfunction  
**00065** Ineffective sex life

#### **9. Stress management, resistance to stress**

**00114** Post-Relocation Stress Syndrome  
**00142** Post-Rape Trauma Syndrome  
**00144** Silent Post-Rape Trauma Syndrome  
**00143** Mixed Rape Trauma Syndrome  
**00141** Post-Traumatic Syndrome  
**00149** Risk of Post-Relocation Stress Syndrome  
**00145** Risk of Post-Traumat Syndrome  
  
**00148** Fear  
**00146** Anxiety  
**00147** Death Anxiety  
**00137** Chronic Grief  
**00072** Inefficient denial  
**00070** Weakened customization  
**00069** Inefficient load handling  
**00071** Defensive load handling  
**00136** Anticipatory Grief  
**00135** Dysfunctional grief  
**00073** Family Inability to Cope  
**00074** Threatening coping with family  
**00077** Ineffective coping with the situation in the community  
**00172** Risk of dysfunctional sadness

**00158** Willingness to improve workload management  
**00075** Willingness of a close person to handle the load better  
**00076** Community willingness to improve burden management

**00009** Autonomic dysreflexia  
**00116** Disturbed child behavior  
**00049** Reduced intracranial adaptive capacity  
**00010** Risk of autonomic dysreflexia  
**00115** Risk of disturbed child behavior  
**00117** Possible improvement in child behavior

#### **10. Life Principle**

**00068** Willingness to improve spiritual well-being

**00066** Spiritual Distress  
**00083** Conflict in decision making  
**00079** Non-compliance  
**00169** Violated religiosity  
**00067** Risk of spiritual distress  
**00170** Risk of violation of religiosity  
**00171** Willingness to improve religiosity

#### **11. Safety/Security**

**00004** Risk of infection

**00045** Damaged oral mucosa  
**00046** Damaged skin integrity  
**00044** Damaged tissue integrity  
**00048** Damaged dentition  
**00031** Ineffective airway patency  
**00043** Ineffective resistance  
**00035** Risk of damage  
**00087** Risk of perioperative damage  
**00155** Risk of falls  
**00047** Risk of violation of skin integrity  
**00039** Risk of aspiration  
**00156** Risk of sudden infant death syndrome  
**00038** Risk of trauma  
**00036** Risk of suffocation  
**00086** Risk of peripheral neurovascular dysfunction

**00151** Self-harm  
**00139** Risk of self harm  
**00138** Risk of violence towards others  
**00140** Risk of violence towards self  
**00150** Risk of suicide

**00037** Risk of intoxication

**00041** Allergic reaction to latex  
**00042** Risk of allergic reaction to latex

**00008** Inefficient thermoregulation  
**00006** Hypothermia  
**00007** Hyperthermia  
**00005** Risk of body temperature imbalance

#### **12. Comfort**

**00132** Acute pain  
**00133** Chronic Pain  
**00134** Nausea

**00053** Social Isolation

#### **13. Growth, development**

**00101** Failure to thrive in an adult  
**00113** Risk of uneven growth  
  
**00111** Delayed growth and development  
**00112** Risk of delayed development

## Example of nursing diagnosis according to NANDA in practice

*Number Code and Name of Nursing Diagnosis:*

**00136** Mourning

*Definition:*

A normal, complex process that includes emotional, physical, spiritual, social, and intellectual responses and behaviors by which individuals, families, and communities integrate actual, anticipated, and/or perceived loss into their daily lives.

*Determining characters:*

altered activity, changes in sleep, impaired immunity, anger, blame, despair, distance, finding meaning in loss, guilt arising from a sense of relief, maintaining contact with the deceased, pain, panicked behavior, personal growth

*Reason and Manifestation:*

Mourning due to the loss of a loved one, manifested by self-blame and tearfulness.

Goal:

- support the grieving process
- educate about the grieving process

*Priority:*

- medium

*Outcome Criteria:*

- the patient is not afraid to turn to us for psychological support
- the patient goes through the grieving process

*Intervention:*

- empathically approach the grieving person
- find out the cause of mourning
- educate the patient about the grieving process
- support the grieving process
- monitor possible pathologies in the grieving process
- report pathological grief to doctors

## Links

### Related Articles

- Nursing Process

### Recommended reading

Examples of other nursing diagnoses according to NANDA can be found here:

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