Introduction

Numerous attempts have been made to define Nursing Professionalism (NP) is a concept that numerous researchers tried to define it. howeverIn fact, although it might seems that it is easy to propose a clear definition, offering a comprehensive one has been very difficult.recognize but difficult to define. In fact, During the time, several researchers from in different disciplines have provided manytried to get a clear definitions of for professionalism.

Freidson (1983) and Hall (1982), <u>twoas</u> prominent sociologists, <u>suggested_maintained_that</u> professionalism and its features might be differently defined and described in different <u>professions_each profession describe the concept of professionalism and its related behaviors according to consensus in that <u>profession</u>[2].</u>

According to Merriam-Webster distionary Dictionary (11th-11th ed.ed.), defines professionalismas-is "the skill, good judgment, and polite behavior that is expected from a person who is trained to do a job well-". This definition is This differs slightly different from definitions those provided by researchers, who have described considering professionalism professionalism as "having a unique or special knowledge" [3].

In the health care system, nNurses, are the largest single bodygroup of health care providers_, who have with numerous pivotal roles and the most highest number of contacts with patients, and numerous and extensive roles and tasks. So Thus, due to the multiplicity and complexity of their nurses' roles, nursing is viewed as a "professional" activity and requiringes a sense of enormous responsibility and a lot of considerable attention and vigilance [4].

Nowadays, in the In today's rapidly changing world, nurses are responsible for providing health care to for the patients, which requires based on up-to-date knowledge and expertise, appropriate professional performance, essential management of the situations kills, and ability to provide ing

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safe and appropriate legal and ethical services_[5].-_Therefore, <u>as in many other fields</u>, achieving <u>a professional status</u>-is an important goal<u>in nursing in nursing as in all disciplines</u>.

Although international associations have consistently emphasized the importance of professionalism as one of the most significant foundations of nursing practice, it has largely been neglected in research However professionalism, as one of the most important foundation of nursing practice, has been neglected in many occasion-[6, 7]. while international associations have emphasized that it is essential to maintain the nursing profession. [8, 9].

Although many researchers have defined various definitions for professionalism have been proposed, some of the definitions many of them are very either complex and the others are or ambiguous. In addition, and there is a lack of there is no consensus on -what professionalism means in nursing [6]. Hodges et al. (2010) at the In Ottawa International Conference, Hodges et al. (2010) recommended defining and explaining the components of professional behavior in various disciplines of medical sciences and comparing it them with medical definitions. They believe maintained that professional behavior is a significant issue in the medical sciences, which has recently become a major source of concern in medical education in recent years. However Nevertheless, it is not easy to define the components of professionalism and evaluate it them [12].

Furthermore, Many several researchers have emphasized the culture-based nature of professionalism that is within the frame of requiring specialized knowledge in different each professions and it need a specialized knowledge [2, 13].

Therefore, the <u>focus of this current</u> study <u>is examined on</u> various definitions and characteristics of professionalism <u>through</u> integrated review <u>has been used as one of the which is an important</u> methods <u>of for concept</u> analysis. According to Whittemore R et al., till attain a better perception

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of a phenomenon, this method permits the contemporary insertion of various methods [14]. The

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purpose of this current study was aimed to elarify explore the concept of professionalism in nursing and its characteristics in nursing.

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To find related articles and sources about on professionalism, a comprehensive search was performed in we broadly searched in the several electronic, scientific databases including Eric.

PubMed, Scopus, web Web of science Science, EBSCO, PsychoINFO, Embass, mag Mag Iran, Irandoe IranDoc, SID, and IRANMEDEX.

There was not limitation in time and all articles published in Persian and English were included in our research until 2019.using the key words: Nine keywords including Professionalism professionalism, professional behavior, pursing professionalism, professional attribute, and pursing were searched among articles written in both English and Persian until 2019.-

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