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**INTRO:**

- Social Networking Sites (SNS) are virtual environments that allow participants to connect and interact with each other via the internet.
- Mobile learning is a learning paradigm that uses mobile devices through different SNS or applications to deliver education. SNS and mobile learning is becoming embedded in most people's every day activities.
- The objectives was to investigate whether the use SNS as a mobile learning tool for RN's can be adopted for use by registered nurses.

**METHODS**

1. Using the Technology Acceptance Model as a framework, the survey questionnaire developed by Lau (2011) to look at Web 2.0 tools, was adapted to look at SNS based mobile learning.
2. Data from inpatient nurses (n=98) was collected for 1 month.
3. Independent samples t-tests and logistic regression was used for data analysis.

**RESULTS**

- Nurses who use SNS more frequently have a higher perceived ease of use relative to nurses who do not use SNS (t = -2.83; df = 94; p = 0.006). Nurses who use SNS more frequently also have a higher perceived usefulness of SNS (t = -2.92; df = 94; p = 0.004).
- Age and gender did not affect perceived ease of use, perceived usefulness, or use

Variable	Not Frequent		Frequent use		t	p
	M	SD	M	SD		
Perceived ease of use	3.21	1.07	3.75	0.73	-2.83	0.006
Perceived usefulness	3.16	1.11	3.69	0.64	-2.92	0.004

Note: \*p<.05, \*\*p<.01, \*\*\*p<.001, two-tailed tests.

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