## Table 1 Demographic data of the sample ofhospital health care workers in MazandaranProvince (excludes medical students)

| Variables                   | No. | %                |
|-----------------------------|-----|------------------|
|                             |     | (n <b>= 456)</b> |
| Age (years)                 |     |                  |
| 20–29                       | 177 | 38.8             |
| 30–39                       | 152 | 33.3             |
| 40–49                       | 109 | 23.9             |
| 50+                         | 18  | 3.9              |
| Sex                         |     |                  |
| Male                        | 159 | 34.9             |
| Female                      | 297 | 65.1             |
| Years of experience         |     |                  |
| 0–5                         | 185 | 40.6             |
| 6–10                        | 47  | 10.3             |
| 11–15                       | 69  | 15.1             |
| > 15                        | 155 | 34.0             |
| Level of education          |     |                  |
| Below diploma               | 34  | 7.5              |
| Diploma                     | 57  | 12.5             |
| University diploma          | 72  | 15.8             |
| Bachelor degree or above    | 293 | 64.3             |
| Occupation                  |     |                  |
| Ancillary staff             | 70  | 15.4             |
| Laboratory worker           | 46  | 10.1             |
| Operating room              | 59  | 12.9             |
| Midwife                     | 18  | 3.9              |
| Nurse specialist or officer | 263 | 57.7             |

n = total number of respondents.