

Clinical Trial Protocol

Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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Effect of group sexual counseling on belief, attitude and quality of the marital relationship of pregnant women .

Protocol summary

Summary

The aim of this randomized clinical trial, single blind, is to determine the Effect of group sexual counseling on belief, attitude and quality of the marital relationship in pregnant women. This study will be carried out on 100 pregnant women referred to 5 public health centers in Zahedan: Iran. (20 pregnant women in each center). Researcher from all eligible women: after getting informed consent will request to complete self-administered questionnaire about demographic and Sexual behavior and questions about sexual beliefs and attitudes in pregnancy and Perceived Relationship Quality components questionnaire. Then we will randomly allocate them into intervention and control groups. We will implement the sexual counseling in the intervention group and will be received only routine care in the control group. The group counseling will be held in 5 sessions of 90 minutes, three times a week during two consecutive weeks. In first session: anatomy and physiology of the female and male reproductive system, physical and psychological changes during pregnancy, second session: Natural sexual response cycle and changes in sexual patterns during pregnancy. the third session: attitudes and beliefs about sex in pregnancy, the fourth session: Change negative attitudes and beliefs about sexual activity in pregnancy and in Fifth Session will be described about Safe sex. The participants will complete post-test questionnaires in 6 weeks after intervention.

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT2015061322695N1**

Registration date: **2015-08-06, 1394/05/15**

Registration timing: **registered_while_recruiting**

Last update:

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Registration date

2015-08-06, 1394/05/15

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Vice- chancellor research & technology , Zahedan University Of Medical Science

Expected recruitment start date

2015-06-22, 1394/04/01

Expected recruitment end date

2015-12-21, 1394/09/30

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

Effect of group sexual counseling on belief, attitude and quality of the marital relationship of pregnant women .

Public title

Effect of group sexual counseling on belief, attitude and quality of the marital relationship of pregnant women.

Purpose

Health service research

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
 Inclusion criteria: Healthy pregnant women aged 18 to 39 years, Healthy pregnant women with gestational age of 15-28 weeks (by LMP or ultrasound) which has health records at the center of health care, Life couples (couples living together during pregnancy). Exclusion criteria: High-risk pregnancies, such as vaginal bleeding, placenta Prvia, cervix incompetency, multiple pregnancies, pregnancy by assisted reproduction techniques, threatened abortion, chronic medical conditions (hypertension, diabetes, etc.), Recent or repeated abortions, Addiction in husband or wife, History of sexual dysfunction or untreated psychiatric disorder before pregnancy in couples, Bigamy, Drugs affect on sexual desire such as antidepressants

Age
 From **18 years** old to **39 years** old

Gender
 Female

Phase
 N/A

Groups that have been masked
No information

Sample size
 Target sample size: **100**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
 Randomized

Randomization description

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
 Single blinded

Blinding description

Placebo
 Not used

Assignment
 Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids
 empty

Ethics committees

1

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 2015-05-31, 1394/03/10
Ethics committee reference number
 IR.ZAUMS.REC.1394.103

Health conditions studied

1
Description of health condition studied
 Sex counselling in pregnancy
ICD-10 code
 Z70.9
ICD-10 code description
 Sex counselling , Unspecified

2
Description of health condition studied
 sex counselling in pregnancy
ICD-10 code
 Z70.8
ICD-10 code description
 Other sex counselling

Primary outcomes

1
Description
 Belief
Timepoint
 Before the start intervention, Six weeks after finishing intervention
Method of measurement
 Sexual Beliefs Questionnaire in pregnancy

2
Description
 Attitude
Timepoint
 Before the start intervention, Six weeks after finishing intervention
Method of measurement
 Attitudes toward sexual activity Questionnaire in pregnancy

Secondary outcomes

1
Description
 Quality of the marital relationship
Timepoint
 Before the start intervention, Six weeks of the finishing intervention
Method of measurement
 Perceived Relationship Quality Components

Intervention groups

1
Description
 Intervention group will receive sexual counseling in 5 sessions of 90 minutes three times a week during two

consecutive weeks .

Category

Lifestyle

2

Description

Control group will received only the centers routine care

Category

Lifestyle

Recruitment centers

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Sponsors / Funding sources

1

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Grant name

Grant code / Reference number

**Is the source of funding the same sponsor
organization/entity?**

Yes

Title of funding source

Vice-chancellor research & Technology, Zahedan
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Proportion provided by this source

100

Public or private sector

empty

Domestic or foreign origin

empty

Category of foreign source of funding

empty

Country of origin

Type of organization providing the funding

empty

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

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Study Protocol

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Statistical Analysis Plan

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Informed Consent Form

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Clinical Study Report

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Analytic Code

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Data Dictionary

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