

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The effect of end of life care education on nurses' moral distress in Neonatal Intensive Care units.

Protocol summary

Summary

Objectives: The purpose of this study was to determine the effect of end-of-life care education on the nurse's moral distress in neonatal care units. **Design:** This is a quasi experimental study with two groups of control and test. **Entry criteria:** having at least one year of experience in nicu, having a bachelor's degree and above and **Exit criteria:** Non-attendance at one or both sessions of the workshop, special stress on participants during the study. A total of 74 NICU nurses will participate in the two Shaheed Akbar Abadi Therapeutic Centers and the Hazrat Aliasghar Hospital And in each center we will have both a control group and a test group that will be randomly selected. The researcher will initially begin work with the control group at both centers. After completing the work of the control group, the test group will enter the study. **How to do:** MDS-R questionnaire which will be completed in three stages of pre-test, two weeks after pre-test and one month after the pre-test by the control group. The test group will also complete the questionnaire as a pre-test, immediately after the intervention and after the intervention (one month after the pre-test). **Interventions:** A test group at the End-of-Life Career Workshop will participate in each center at a separate weekly interval of three hours in each center. The main implications of the main implication is that this methodology will be effective on the nurse's moral distress or will not?

General information

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT2017071635103N1**

Registration date: **2017-08-05, 1396/05/14**

Registration timing: **prospective**

Last update:

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Registration date

2017-08-05, 1396/05/14

Registrant information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

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Expected recruitment start date

2017-08-06, 1396/05/15

Expected recruitment end date

2017-10-07, 1396/07/15

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

The effect of end of life care education on nurses' moral distress in Neonatal Intensive Care units.

Public title

The effect of education on moral distress

Purpose

Health service research

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion Criteria: bachelor's degree or higher; having at least one year of experience in the NICU section; personal and informed consent. Exclusion Criteria: Failure to participate in one or both sessions of the workshop; specific stress on the participants during the study

Age

No age limit

Gender

Female

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: 74

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description**Blinding (investigator's opinion)**

Not blinded

Blinding description**Placebo**

Not used

Assignment

Parallel

Other design features

By random method (drawing method) in each center, both the control group and test group will be selected separately.

Secondary Ids**1****Registry name**

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Secondary trial Id

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Registration date

empty

Ethics committees**1****Ethics committee****Name of ethics committee**

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2017-05-28, 1396/03/07

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IR.IUMS.FMD.REC 1396.9311451004

Health conditions studied**1****Description of health condition studied**

Moral distress

ICD-10 code

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ICD-10 code description

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Primary outcomes**1****Description**

Nurse's moral distress in Neonatal Care Units

Timepoint

Before intervention - Immediately and 2 weeks after intervention

Method of measurement

Hamric MDS-R questionnaire

Secondary outcomes**1****Description**

Knowledge and skills of nurses attending a workshop on end-of-life care in a newborn

Timepoint

At intervals of workshop

Method of measurement

Frequently Asked Questions

Intervention groups**1****Description**

Interventions 1: Control group:They Perform routine works in the unit.

Category

Other

2**Description**

Interventions2:Exam group:They Participate in a workshop that will be held in two 3-hour sessions in 2 consecutive weeks.The educational content includes 9 titles of end-of-life care in the infant that is provided in the form of PowerPoint presentations and video clips, presentation to the participants.

Category

Treatment - Drugs

Recruitment centers

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Sponsors / Funding sources

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Grant code / Reference number

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

Yes

Title of funding source

Vice-Chancellor for Research of Nursing Faculty, Iran
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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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Clinical Study Report

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