

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Investigate the impact of counseling with an approach based on acceptance and commitment therapy to the fear, attitude and intention of choosing the type of delivery in primigravid women

Protocol summary

Study aim

Determine the impact of counseling with an approach based on acceptance and commitment therapy to the fear, attitude and intention of choosing the type of delivery in primigravid women

Design

Clinical trials with control group and parallel groups without blindness ; and Randomized with Random numbers .

Settings and conduct

Place: Health centers No. 1 and 3 of Mashhad. In each selected health center, an intervention and control group will be selected and the samples will be randomly assigned to the control or intervention group. At the beginning of the study, the questionnaire for fear, attitude and intention to select the type of delivery will be completed by samples. Then, after intervention, for 4 consecutive sessions of acceptance and commitment based counseling within 4 consecutive weeks, again immediately and then one week after the intervention, the questionnaires will be completed by the intervention and control group.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: 1- Having no hearing and mental problems in the mother that prevents communication with the researcher 2- Age between 18 and 35 years. 3- Gestational age between 28 weeks and 32 weeks. 4- low-risk singleton pregnancies and is showing head. 5- Being primigravid. 6. Do not have a history of infertility. 7- Not having a medical cause for cesarean section, such as a transverse position, previous uterine surgery, etc. Non-entry terms: 1- Earn more than 85 scores from Vijma's fears questionnaire. 2- She or her husband should be employed by the hospital staff. 3- In the last 6 months, she has severe mental problems.

Intervention groups

Intervention group: group counseling sessions for 4

consecutive weeks Control group: Routine care of childbirth classes

Main outcome variables

Fear, Attitude, Intention to choose a type of delivery, Social support, Self-efficacy, Decision conflict, Subjective norms

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20180901040916N1**

Registration date: **2019-05-13, 1398/02/23**

Registration timing: **retrospective**

Last update: **2019-05-13, 1398/02/23**

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Registration date

2019-05-13, 1398/02/23

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2018-10-02, 1397/07/10

Expected recruitment end date

2019-03-30, 1398/01/10

Actual recruitment start date
empty

Actual recruitment end date
empty

Trial completion date
empty

Scientific title
Investigate the impact of counseling with an approach based on acceptance and commitment therapy to the fear, attitude and intention of choosing the type of delivery in primigravid women

Public title
Investigate the impact of counseling on acceptance and commitment therapy to the fear, attitude and intention of choosing the type of delivery

Purpose
Education/Guidance

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
1- Residence in Mashhad 2- Access to Telephone 3- Having at least elementary education 4- Do not have a mother's hearing and speech problems that can not communicate with a researcher 5- Age between 18 and 35 6- Gestational age between 28 weeks to 32 weeks 7- Single and low-risk pregnancy 8- Primigravid 9- Willingness to cooperate 10- The sample has no history of infertility 11- The sample does not have a medical cause for cesarean section (such as a transverse or transverse placement, an uterine surgeon, etc.).
Exclusion criteria:
1- Do not be staffed by a hospital 2- She has not had severe mental problems in the last 6 months 3- In the Vijma's fear questionnaire, she scored less than 85 points

Age
From **18 years** old to **35 years** old

Gender
Female

Phase
N/A

Groups that have been masked
No information

Sample size
Target sample size: **70**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
Randomized method: simple using random numbers. At first, the researcher selects a number from the table with a blind eye, and then the numbers are given in the order of the row, the first number is assigned to the control group, and the second number assigned to the intervention group and so on. Random unit: Individual
Randomization Tool: Random numbers Hiding: no

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo
Not used

Assignment
Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids
empty

Ethics committees

1

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Name of ethics committee

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2018-07-31, 1397/05/09

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IR.MUMS.NURSE.REC.1397.026

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Fear of delivery, Attitude of delivery , Intent to choose the type of delivery

ICD-10 code

O75.0

ICD-10 code description

Maternal distress during labour and delivery

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Fear of delivery

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study, then immediately and one week after the intervention

Method of measurement

Vijma's fear of delivery Questionnaire; Version A

2

Description

Attitude towards delivery

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study and then immediately and one week after the intervention.

Method of measurement

Attitude to the type of delivery questionnaire

3

Description

Intent to choose the type of delivery

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study and then immediately and one week after the intervention.

Method of measurement

Intent selection choose the type of delivery checklist

4

Description

Social support

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study

Method of measurement

Modified Cassidy Social Support Assessment
Questionnaire

5

Description

Decision Conflict

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study

Method of measurement

Decision Conflict Questionnaire

6

Description

Self-efficacy of delivery

Timepoint

At the beginning of the study

Method of measurement

Maternal self-efficacy questionnaire

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Receiving 4 consultation sessions with an approach base on acceptance and commitment therapy in group ,any week ,a meeting with a duration of 90 to 120 minute up to 4 weeks. Session content: First Session: Introduction , determination the escape and avoidance of client strategies and determination of specify the dumps and bugs, Forecasts and evaluation of client about fear of childbirth. Second session: Education of control is problem not solution, Separating the judgments of person experiences and see thoughts without judging them. Third session: Help to client for determination of judgments about himself such as be cowardly, be weakly and so on. The education of mindfulness and help to client for identification values of himself and their classification. Fourth session: Presentation of practical approach for action and

commitment about decided.

Category

Other

2

Description

Control group: Routine Care Pregnancy Classes which lasts from 23 to 38 weeks of pregnancy for 8 sessions of 90 minutes.

Category

N/A

Recruitment centers

1

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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

Mashhad University of Medical Sciences

Proportion provided by this source

100

Public or private sector

Private

Domestic or foreign origin

Domestic

Category of foreign source of funding

empty

Country of origin**Type of organization providing the funding**

Academic

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Justification/reason for indecision/not sharing IPD

No more information

Study Protocol

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Statistical Analysis Plan

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Informed Consent Form

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Clinical Study Report

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Analytic Code

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Data Dictionary

No - There is not a plan to make this available