

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) for Patients with Screen Positive for Alcohol and Drug Dependence among Referrals of Emergency Department

Protocol summary

Study aim

Efficacy of Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) for Patients Screened Positive for Alcohol and Drug Dependence among Referrals of Emergency Department

Design

This is a randomized clinical, controlled, parallel groups, randomized, phase 2 trial. In this study, 100 participants will randomly assigned to study groups using a random sequence generation of quadrilateral block.

Settings and conduct

Emergency department, Loghman Hakim Hospital
Research assistants refer to the emergency department in the morning shift and with the help of the head nurse, will select individuals who meet eligibility criteria and enroll them to the study after providing written informed consent.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: (1) age 18 to 65 years old, (2) admission to emergency department ward with alcohol and drug intoxication, (3) screen positive for alcohol and drug (opioids, methamphetamine) dependence, (4) medical stabilization, (5) ability to read and write, (6) provide written informed consent. Exclusion criteria: (1) Risk of suicide, homicide or violence, (2) psychosis, (3) inability to understand study protocol and complete assessments.

Intervention groups

Control group: Treatment as usual + brochure on importance and availability of alcohol and drug (opioids, methamphetamine) treatment in Psychiatric Clinic, Iranian National Center for Addiction Studies (INCAS)
Intervention group: Treatment as usual+ brief motivational intervention aiming at referral to Psychiatric Clinic, Iranian National Center for Addiction Studies (INCAS) + telephone follow-up within 1 week of discharge

Main outcome variables

Percent of study participants referred to Psychiatric Clinic, Iranian National Center for Addiction Studies, within 1 month of discharge

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

ED-SBIRT

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20170702034844N4**

Registration date: **2019-06-16, 1398/03/26**

Registration timing: **prospective**

Last update: **2019-06-16, 1398/03/26**

Update count: **0**

Registration date

2019-06-16, 1398/03/26

Registrant information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2019-06-22, 1398/04/01

Expected recruitment end date

2019-09-22, 1398/06/31
Actual recruitment start date
empty
Actual recruitment end date
empty
Trial completion date
empty

Scientific title
Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) for Patients with Screen Positive for Alcohol and Drug Dependence among Referrals of Emergency Department

Public title
Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) for Patients with Screen Positive for Alcohol and Drug Dependence

Purpose
Education/Guidance

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
Admission to the Emergency Department of Poisoning Hospital Detection of alcohol or drug intoxication (opioids, methamphetamine) age 18-65 Stabilization from a medical point of view Informed Consent to Enter Study Literacy reading and writing Positive screening for alcohol dependence using AUDIT, Drug dependence using ASSIST and diagnosis of alcohol and drug dependence based on ICD-10 criteria
Exclusion criteria:
The risk of suicide, abuse or violence Occurrence of psychosis Failure to understand the study protocol and answer the questionnaires Participation in another intervention research project

Age
From **18 years** old to **65 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
2

Groups that have been masked
No information

Sample size
Target sample size: **100**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
Randomization: Using a random sequence generation, a quadrilateral block is used with a random number table. Allocation: By a third-party supervisor who is a physician at the National Center for Addictive Studies, and coordinating the placement of each referral in each treatment group.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo
Not used

Assignment
Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

Ethics Committee of Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS), Vice-Chancellor for Research

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2019-05-21, 1398/02/31

Ethics committee reference number

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Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Alcohol dependence

ICD-10 code

F10.2

ICD-10 code description

Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of alcohol: dependence syndrome

2

Description of health condition studied

Opioids dependence

ICD-10 code

F11.2

ICD-10 code description

Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of opioids: dependence syndrome

3

Description of health condition studied

Stimulants (methamphetamine) dependence

ICD-10 code

F15.2

ICD-10 code description

Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of stimulants: dependence syndrome

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Percent of successful referral to specialized substance treatment center within 1 month of discharge

Timepoint

One week and 1 month after discharge

Method of measurement

Registration of clients referred to Psychiatric Clinic, Iranian National Center for Addiction Studies through this project

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Participants in this group who screened positive for alcohol and drug dependence (opioids and methamphetamine) using AUDIT and ASSIST questionnaires and have a diagnosis of alcohol and drug dependence based on ICD-10, will receive treatment as usual and one 20-30 minutes brief motivational intervention by trained clinical psychologist aiming at referral to Psychiatric Clinic, Iranian National Center for Addiction Studies for further assessment and treatment. Participants will also receive one telephone follow-up within one week of discharge in order to remind them for referral.

Category

Behavior

2

Description

Control group: Treatment as usual for medical and psychiatric stabilization in emergency department ward plus a brochure on importance and availability of alcohol and drug (opioids and methamphetamine) treatment in Psychiatric Clinic, Iranian National Center for Addiction Studies (INCAS)

Category

Behavior

Recruitment centers

1

Recruitment center

Name of recruitment center

Emergency ward, Loghman Hakim Hospital

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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

Deputy for Research, Tehran University of Medical Sciences

Proportion provided by this source

100

Public or private sector

Public

Domestic or foreign origin

Domestic

Category of foreign source of funding

empty

Country of origin

Type of organization providing the funding

Academic

Person responsible for general inquiries

Contact

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Latest degree

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Other areas of specialty/work

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Study Protocol

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Statistical Analysis Plan

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Informed Consent Form

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Clinical Study Report

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Analytic Code

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Data Dictionary

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Title and more details about the data/document

Participants data file: The participants data without identifying information will be available after completion of the study. Clinical study report: The clinical study report will be available after completion of the study.

When the data will become available and for how long

September 2019

To whom data/document is available

Researchers of psychiatric disorders clinical studies

Under which criteria data/document could be used

Using study data for systematic reviews and meta-analysis studies is permitted.

From where data/document is obtainable

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What processes are involved for a request to access data/document

The data request need to clearly define data needs. The study contact person will provide available data within 1 week after receiving the req

Comments

None