

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The effects of premature infant's parent empowerment program in NICU, on their involvement, stress and beliefs in Hospitals of Tehran University of Medical Science.

Protocol summary

Summary

Our goal was to study the effects of premature infant's parent empowerment program in NICU, as a family centered intervention, on their involvement, stress and beliefs. A quasi-experimental, posttest-only design with a comparison group was conducted with 65 families with preterm infants from 2010 to 2011 in NICUs and high risk neonate units in two Hospitals of Tehran University of Medical Science. Parents in experiment group received information and behavioral activities about the appearance and behavioral characteristics of preterm infants and how best to parent them via verbal face to face education, audio taped in CD or Bluetooth and written materials. Both fathers and mothers in the empowerment program group were more involved in their infants' care, and reported significantly less stress in the NICU, as well as, higher beliefs about their parental role and what behaviors and characteristics to expect of their infants during hospitalization, compared with control parents. So, Parent empowerment program can involve parents in their infants' care and reduce parenting stress among both mothers and fathers of preterm infants and improves their beliefs about parental role and what behaviors and characteristics to expect of their infants in NICU.

General information

Acronym

Parental Empowerment Program

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT138904234372N1**

Registration date: **2011-02-24, 1389/12/05**

Registration timing: **retrospective**

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Registration date

2011-02-24, 1389/12/05

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Recruitment complete

Funding source

Tehran university of medical science

Expected recruitment start date

2010-06-05, 1389/03/15

Expected recruitment end date

2010-12-22, 1389/10/01

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

The effects of premature infant's parent empowerment program in NICU, on their involvement, stress and beliefs in Hospitals of Tehran University of Medical Science.

Public title

Parental Empowerment Program, on their Involvement, Stress & Beliefs

Purpose

Supportive

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: All mothers and fathers were above 18 years of age, who could read and speak persian, and did not consume antianxiety drugs, Whitout stressful event in family, And whose infants born at the study sites, below 37 weeks of gestational age and singelton birth. exclusion criteria:situation that cause Neonatal death.

Age

From **18 years** old to **45 years** old

Gender

Both

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **65**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Other

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

Ethical Review Committee of Tehran University of Medical Sciences

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Approval date

2010-01-05, 1388/10/15

Ethics committee reference number

433/130/89/>

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

parental Stress

ICD-10 code

Z75.8

ICD-10 code description

Other problems related to medical facilities and other health care

2

Description of health condition studied

Parental Involvement

ICD-10 code

Z76.3

ICD-10 code description

Healthy person accompanying sick person

3

Description of health condition studied

parental Belief

ICD-10 code

Z63.9

ICD-10 code description

Problem related to primary support group, unspecified

Primary outcomes

1

Description

parental Involvement in neonatal care in NICU

Timepoint

1-2 day before discharge

Method of measurement

Observational check list of parental involvement in neonatal care in NICU

2

Description

parental Beliefs in NICU

Timepoint

1-2 day before discharge

Method of measurement

parental Beliefs Scale in NICU (PBS:NICU)

3

Description

parental stress in NICU

Timepoint

1-2 day before discharge

Method of measurement

parental stress Scale in NICU (PSS:NICU)

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Parents in experiment group received parental

empowerment program that contains information and behavioral activities about the appearance and behavioral characteristics of preterm infants and how best to parent them via verbal face to face education, audio taped in CD or Bluetooth and written materials.

Category

Behavior

2

Description

in admission, hospitalize & discharge time standard care done for both control & intervention group.

Category

Behavior

Recruitment centers

1

Recruitment center

Name of recruitment center

Mirza kuchak khan Hospital

Full name of responsible person

Street address

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2

Recruitment center

Name of recruitment center

Valie Asr Hospital

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Sponsors / Funding sources

1

Sponsor

Name of organization / entity

vice chancellor for research of tehran university of medical science

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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 for research of tehran university of medical science

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

Person responsible for general inquiries

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)
empty
Study Protocol
empty
Statistical Analysis Plan
empty
Informed Consent Form
empty
Clinical Study Report
empty
Analytic Code
empty
Data Dictionary
empty