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Evaluation of The Effect of Integrated Treatment of Family Focused Therapy (FFT) and Social Cognition and Interaction Training (SCIT) on the Signs and Symptoms, Interpersonal Relationships, Relapse and Quality of Life among Patients with Bipolar Type 1 and study of the effective elements of these two therapeutic approaches.

Protocol summary

Study aim

Determining the effectiveness of combined family focused treatment(FFT) and social cognition and interaction training(SCIT) in reducing signs and symptoms, improving interpersonal relationships, preventing recurrence and improving the quality of life of bipolar patients type1; Determining the main components of effective of combined family focused treatment(FFT) and social cognition and interaction training(SCIT)

Design

Randomized clinical trial with control group, with parallel groups, randomized, phase 2 on 75 bipolar patients 1, Excel software rand function will be used for randomization. From April 2021 to April 2022 with 3-months follow-up

Settings and conduct

Ward 2 of Baharan Psychiatric Hospital in Zahedan, will not be blinded in this study.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Diagnosis of bipolar disorder type 1 with the diagnosis of a psychiatrist; Age between 18 to 45 years; Willingness and obtaining the consent of the patient's main caregiver Exclusion criteria: History of alcohol and substance abuse; History of Brain damage; Had a mental disorder other than the main diagnosis; Severe personality disorder

Intervention groups

Intervention group 1: In addition to drug treatment, this group will be received family-focused treatment with their primary caregiver, and after two-week wash out period will received social cognition therapy and interaction training. Intervention group 2: In addition to drug treatment, this group first will be received social

cognition therapy and interaction training. After two-week wash out period will received family-focused treatment with their primary caregiver. Control group: This group will only be treated with medication and will not receive any intervention.

Main outcome variables

signs; Symptoms; Interpersonal relationships; Relapse and quality of life in bipolar patients type 1

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20201219049755N1**

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Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

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Expected recruitment end date

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empty

Actual recruitment end date

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Trial completion date

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Scientific title

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Public title

Effectiveness of Integrated Treatment of Family Focused Therapy (FFT) and Social Cognition and Interaction Training (SCIT) In Patients with Bipolar Type 1

Purpose

Prevention

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Bipolar disorder type 1 has been diagnosed by a psychiatrist Having a score between 14 -18 in the Cognitive complaints in bipolar disorder rating assessment (COBRA) Don't having more than 3 recurrences At least had a high school education Having a score below 9 had in the Young Mania Scale Consent must be Obtained from patient's primary caregiver for participating in the study

Exclusion criteria:

Had a history of alcohol and substance abuse. Had a history of brain injury. Had a mental disorder other than the main diagnosis. Had a severe personality disorder (diagnosed by a psychiatrist) Had simultaneous visits to psychological clinics for psychological treatment.

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: **75**

More than 1 sample in each individual

Number of samples in each individual: **1**

In family-focused therapy, in addition to the patient, his or her primary caregiver will also be present at the sessions.

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

The method of random allocation will be drawing a

number as a lottery container containing 25 balls for the experimental group 1, 25 balls for the experimental group 2 and 25 balls for the control group. Then the balls will be randomly taken out without replacement from the container and the sequence will be written on a piece of paper. The first number will be assigned to experimental group 1, the second one to experimental group 2 and the third one to control group, and this process will be continued until the last number. Allocation concealment will be also done only in data analysis.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)

Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo

Not used

Assignment

Crossover

Other design features

This study included a review of the combined effectiveness of the two treatments. In family-centered therapy, the presence of the patient's primary caregiver is essential for education. But the treatment of social cognition and interaction training will be only on patients. to evaluate the effective elements of the two therapies will be used of researcher-made checklists that will be completed by a researcher colleague of the patient's family members. Based on this, we will develop an integrated protocol according to the effective components of the two treatments in accordance with Iranian culture.

Secondary Ids

empty

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1

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Ethics committee reference number

IR.USWR.REC.1398.195

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Bipolar disorder type 1

ICD-10 code

F31.77

ICD-10 code description

Bipolar disorder, in partial remission, most recent episode mixed

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

Score of depression in Beck Depression Inventory

Timepoint

Before the intervention, after the completion of the first intervention, after the completion of the second intervention, follow-up

Method of measurement

Beck Depression Inventory

2**Description**

Score of quality of life of patients in Quality of Life Questionnaire

Timepoint

Before intervention, after completion of the first intervention, after completion of the second intervention, follow-up

Method of measurement

Quality of Life Questionnaire (WHO-QOL-BREF)

3**Description**

Score of mania in Young Mania Questionnaire

Timepoint

Before the intervention, after the completion of the first intervention, after the completion of the second intervention, follow-up

Method of measurement

Young Mania Questionnaire

4**Description**

score of Interpersonal relations in social performance questionnaire

Timepoint

Before the intervention, after the completion of the first intervention, after the completion of the second intervention, follow-up

Method of measurement

social performance questionnaire

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

Relapse

Timepoint

Before intervention, after completion of the first

intervention, after completion of the second intervention, follow-up

Method of measurement

scores above 20 in the Beck Depression and Young Mania Inventory

2**Description**

Social performance

Timepoint

Before intervention, after completion of the first intervention, after completion of the second intervention, follow-up

Method of measurement

Social Performance Questionnaire

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

Intervention group 1: This group ,in addition to receiving medication, will be received 15 sessions of family-focused treatment with their primary caregivers twice a week. After the Completion of the intervention and a 2 week wash out period, patients will be received social cognition and interaction training twice a week.

Category

Prevention

2**Description**

Intervention group 2: This group ,in addition to medication, will be received 15 sessions of social cognition and interaction training twice a week. After Completion of the intervention and 2-week wash out period, patients will be received family-focused treatment twice a week with their primary caregiver.

Category

Rehabilitation

3**Description**

Control group: This group will be received medication.

Category

Prevention

Recruitment centers**1****Recruitment center****Name of recruitment center**

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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

Zahedan 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

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Study Protocol

Yes - There is 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

Yes - There is 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

Information of primary and secondary consequences will be shared.

When the data will become available and for how long

3 months after the results are published.

To whom data/document is available

Academic institutions

Under which criteria data/document could be used

people intend to repeat the protocol in psychiatric hospitals.

From where data/document is obtainable

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

2 to 3 months

Comments