

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The effectiveness of cognitive-behavioral therapy on automatic Negative thoughts, irrational beliefs and worry in people with generalized anxiety disorder

Protocol summary

Study aim

General objectives: Determining the effectiveness of cognitive-behavioral therapy on self-negative thoughts, irrational beliefs and anxiety in people with generalized anxiety disorder
Sub-objectives:

Design

The present study is a quasi-experimental study with a pre-test-post-test study with a control group. In this method, the experimental group receives cognitive-behavioral therapy and the control group does not receive any intervention. Both groups respond to pre-test and post-test at the same time. And our statistical population is 30 clients with generalized anxiety disorder

Settings and conduct

The statistical population of this study will include all patients with generalized anxiety disorder to clinics in Rasht who are eligible to participate in this study. Will be mentioned To select a subject, 30 clients are randomly selected and placed in two experimental groups (15 people) and a control group (15 people). All clients complete the ATQ Negative Self-Thinking Questionnaire, Jones's Irrational Beliefs, Pennsylvania State Concern, and Generalized Anxiety Disorder as a pre-test.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Entry requirements for participants who received a diagnosis of generalized anxiety disorder by a therapist (psychiatrist) in terms of DSM5 diagnostic criteria, are at least 20 years old and have a significant score on the questionnaires

Intervention groups

All clients complete the ATQ Negative Self-Esteem Questionnaire, Jones Irrational Beliefs, Pennsylvania State Concern, and Generalized Anxiety Disorder as a pre-test.

Main outcome variables

Generalized Anxiety Disorder, Negative Self Thoughts, Irrational Beliefs, Anxiety, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

CBT

IRCT registration information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2021-07-11, 1400/04/20

Expected recruitment end date

2021-08-11, 1400/05/20

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title
The effectiveness of cognitive-behavioral therapy on automatic Negative thoughts, irrational beliefs and worry in people with generalized anxiety disorder

Public title
Determining the Effectiveness of Cognitive Behavioral Therapy on automatic Negative Thoughts, Irrational Beliefs, and worry in People with Generalized Anxiety Disorder

Purpose
Treatment

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
Participants should receive a diagnosis of generalized anxiety disorder by a therapist (psychiatrist) based on the DSM5 diagnostic criteria. Participants are eligible to participate in the study if they have not received any intervention Be at least 20 years old
Exclusion criteria:

Age
From **20 years** old to **35 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
N/A

Groups that have been masked
No information

Sample size
Target sample size: **30**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
The randomization method is a simple randomization that 30 patients with generalized anxiety disorder in the centers are randomly selected according to the inclusion criteria. The randomization tool is a random table of numbers that the researcher on one of the numbers in the random table. Hands down the numbers and moves them to the right and down. Finally, he records the numbers and assigns them to two experimental groups (15 people) and a control group (15 people) whose numbers have already been determined.

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo
Not used

Assignment
Other

Other design features

Secondary Ids
empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee
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Lahijan Azad University Ethics Committee
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2021-05-26, 1400/03/05

Ethics committee reference number
IR.IAU.LIAU.REC.1400.015

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied
Pervasive Anxiety Disorder

ICD-10 code
ICD-10 code description

Primary outcomes

1

Description
Generalized Anxiety Disorder Score in Generalized Anxiety Disorder Questionnaire (GADQ)

Timepoint
Before and after the intervention

Method of measurement
Generalized Anxiety Disorder Questionnaire (GADQ)

2

Description
Negative Self-Thoughts Score in the Negative Self-Thought Questionnaire (ATQ)

Timepoint
Before and after the intervention

Method of measurement
Negative Self Thought Questionnaire (ATQ)

3

Description
Irrational Beliefs Score on the Jones Irrational Beliefs Questionnaire

Timepoint
Before and after the intervention

Method of measurement
Jones Irrational Beliefs Questionnaire

4

Description
Concern score on the Pennsylvania Concern

Questionnaire
Timepoint
Before and after the intervention
Method of measurement
Pennsylvania State Concern Questionnaire

Secondary outcomes

1

Description
Reduce pervasive anxiety disorder
Timepoint
Before and after the intervention
Method of measurement
Generalized Anxiety Disorder Questionnaire (GAD_Q)

2

Description
Reduce negative self-thoughts
Timepoint
Before and after the intervention
Method of measurement
Negative Self-Esteem Questionnaire (ATQ)

3

Description
Reduce irrational beliefs
Timepoint
Before and after the intervention
Method of measurement
Jones Irrational Beliefs Questionnaire

4

Description
Reduce anxiety
Timepoint
Before and after the intervention
Method of measurement
Pennsylvania Concern Questionnaire

Intervention groups

1

Description
Intervention group:
Category
Treatment - Other

Recruitment centers

1

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Grant name
Grant code / Reference number
Is the source of funding the same sponsor organization/entity?
No
Title of funding source
Islamic azad university Lahijan branch
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

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

Yes - There is 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

Title and more details about the data/document

After studying the documents, it is registered in the research system and in a separate article, we mention the scientific information of the participants and the effect of the intervention.

When the data will become available and for how long

Access period starts 6 months after the results are published

To whom data/document is available

Only researchers have access to the data

Under which criteria data/document could be used

Only scientific data and documents with access to the source are accessible and personal data is unauthorized

From where data/document is obtainable

Refer to Lahijan Islamic Azad University for data

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

Access the information as soon as possible with the following email address samaneh1441@gmail.com

Comments