

Clinical Trial Protocol

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The efficacy of Tele-based sexuality counselling on sexual function and sexual distress of primiparous women with exclusive breastfeeding and their spouses

Protocol summary

Study aim

The efficacy of Tele-based sexuality counselling on sexual function and sexual distress of primiparous women with exclusive breastfeeding and their spouses

Design

The study includes two groups and each group includes 70 people. nonblinded. To determine the sequence of allocation by the block method of four, random allocation sequence generation software "STATA" will be used.

Settings and conduct

The study is conducted among lactating primiparous women referring to Qazvin health centers and their spouses. They are invited to participate in the study based on their willingness, the intervention group will receive 5 counseling sessions. before and after the study, the questionnaires are completed by both control and intervention groups. nonblinded study

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusive criteria: Primiparit, Married life, Exclusive breastfeeding, Have a Singleton term birth, Being in the first six months after delivery, Availability within the next two months, Healthy child without physical problems or special diseases, Having a smartphone, Exclusive criteria: Absence of sexual activity with the spouse during the postpartum period, Severe marital conflicts and the occurrence of an unfortunate event, History of chronic mental and physical illness,

Intervention groups

The intervention group will receive a 5-session online training package . Each session is 30-45 minutes. The control group only receives routine care

Main outcome variables

Primary outcome: couples' sexual performance/couples' sexual distress

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20220424054637N2**

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2022-10-23, 1401/08/01

Expected recruitment end date

2022-12-21, 1401/09/30

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title

The efficacy of Tele-based sexuality counselling on sexual function and sexual distress of primiparous women with exclusive breastfeeding and their spouses

Public title

The efficacy of Tele-based sexuality counselling on sexual function and sexual distress of primiparous women with exclusive breastfeeding and their spouses

Purpose

Health service research

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria:

Primiparity Living with a spouse Have exclusive breastfeeding Have a singleton full-term birth (after 38 weeks) Being in the first six months after delivery Being accessible within the next two months Have a healthy child without physical problems or special diseases Have smartphone

Exclusion criteria:

Lack of sexual activity with spouse during the postpartum period Severe marital conflicts and the occurrence of unfortunate events (death of loved ones, accidents, etc.), Having a history of chronic mental and physical illness (check the records in the file and history)

Age

No age limit

Gender

Both

Phase

N/A

Groups that have been masked

No information

Sample size

Target sample size: **140**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)

Randomized

Randomization description

We will use block of four for random allocation. In order to determine the sequence of allocation by the four block method, random allocation sequence generation software will be used. In order to hide the sequence of allocation, the papers identifying the group of people are placed inside the envelopes in the opaque package and coded in the same order. In this case, a questionnaire with the same code will be completed for the person who receives the intervention.

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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2022-07-19, 1401/04/28

Ethics committee reference number

IR.QUMS.REC.1401.106

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Sexual function , Sexual distress

ICD-10 code

ICD-10 code description

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Sexual function score

Timepoint

Before and immediately after the end of the study, one week, one month and two months after the intervention

Method of measurement

Female Sexual function Index FSFI-6, International index of erectile function: (IIEF-5)

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

The level of sexual distress of couples

Timepoint

Before and immediately after the end of the study, one week, one month and two months after the intervention.

Method of measurement

Female Sexual Distress Scale (FSDS_R)

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Before the intervention, the questionnaire link will be sent through the "Whatsapp

"application and the people will be coded. In addition to routine postpartum care, the intervention group will receive five counseling sessions through video calls on "Whatsapp" messenger. Sessions include couples and counselors (three people). "My wife" book (skill training in marital and sexual relations) and the textbook of sexual disorders are considered as educational resources. Counseling sessions are held every 5 days, and after the end of each counseling session, a phone call is made in order to explain more about the training and not to forget the exercises within five days until the next counseling session. Videos, images and educational content related to each session will be provided to couples through social messengers.

Category

N/A

2

Description

Control group :the usual postpartum care will be received, and a pamphlet including the usual postpartum sex counseling will be provided for them ,in addition to receiving routine care , at the end of the study, based on the obtained information, if couples in control group needs counseling, a counseling session will be held for them.

Category

N/A

Recruitment centers

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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

Qazvin 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

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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

Yes - There is 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

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Data Dictionary

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Title and more details about the data/document

None of the personal information of the samples can be accessed, but non-identifiable data and things like study

protocol documentation, data analysis program will be shared.

When the data will become available and for how long

Year 1402

To whom data/document is available

Other researchers

Under which criteria data/document could be used

If permission is obtained from the authors of the work

From where data/document is obtainable

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

The request should be sent via e-mail, and the data file will be sent to them via e-mail within a maximum of one month

Comments