

Clinical Trial Protocol

Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials

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Investigating the effect of case-based learning on the learning of medical students in the internship stage

Protocol summary

Study aim

Investigating the learning rate of interns in the field of emergency medicine using a patient-based learning method / Examining the level of satisfaction of emergency medicine interns with the patient-based learning method

Design

control group: In this group, just theoretical topics are conducted in face-to-face classes based on lectures and on the basis of predetermined curriculum.

Settings and conduct

Hospitals affiliated with Iran University of Medical Sciences, where interns spend a month in the emergency department. First, before the intervention, a pre-test is taken from both groups. Then, in each group, the corresponding action described in the previous sections is performed. Next, in order to evaluate the effect of the training, a post test is taken and the questionnaire of satisfaction level from the educational method is given to them. Finally, the results of these cases are compared in two groups.

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

The inclusion criteria is medical students in the internship stage, and the exclusion criteria is not agreeing to participate in the study.

Intervention groups

In this group, we will provide an educational package to the medical students of the internship stage at the beginning of the one-month emergency medicine course. This package aims to provide case-based learning on important emergency topics, including topics prepared in text, PowerPoint with audio, and podcasts, as well as printed reports from patients in reputable medical journals. Also, in this group, like other students, theoretical topics are conducted in face-to-face classes based on lectures and on the basis of predetermined curriculum.

Main outcome variables

Pre-test result - Post-test result - Student satisfaction

level from the educational method

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

IRCT registration number: **IRCT20230307057653N1**

Registration date: **2023-03-29, 1402/01/09**

Registration timing: **prospective**

Last update: **2023-03-29, 1402/01/09**

Update count: **0**

Registration date

2023-03-29, 1402/01/09

Registrant information

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

2023-04-04, 1402/01/15

Expected recruitment end date

2023-07-06, 1402/04/15

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date

empty

Scientific title
Investigating the effect of case-based learning on the learning of medical students in the internship stage

Public title
Effect of case-based learning on the learning of medical students

Purpose
Education/Guidance

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
Medical students in the internship stage
Exclusion criteria:
Lack of consent to participate in the study

Age
From **20 years** old to **30 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
N/A

Groups that have been masked
No information

Sample size
Target sample size: **240**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
Randomized

Randomization description
Students are randomly divided into two main groups. Students with odd number in the list are included in to group 1 and patients with even number are included in group 2.

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 Iran University of Medical Sciences

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Approval date

2023-02-01, 1401/11/12

Ethics committee reference number

IR.IUMS.REC.1401.898

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

Learning of medical students

ICD-10 code

ICD-10 code description

Primary outcomes

1

Description

The result of the pre-test

Timepoint

before holding classes and receiving training

Method of measurement

Questionnaire

2

Description

The result of the post-test

Timepoint

After holding classes and receiving training

Method of measurement

Questionnaire

3

Description

Level of satisfaction with the educational method

Timepoint

After holding classes and receiving training

Method of measurement

Questionnaire

Secondary outcomes

empty

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: We will provide the educational package to the medical students of the internship stage at the beginning of the one-month emergency medicine course. This package aims to provide case-based learning on important emergency topics, including topics prepared in text, PowerPoint with audio, and podcasts, as well as printed reports from patients in common medical journals. Also, like other students, the teaching of theoretical topics is done in face-to-face classes on the

basis of lectures and on the basis of a predetermined curriculum.

Category

Behavior

2

Description

Control group: In this group of medical students in the internship stage who will undergo a one-month in the emergency department, only theoretical topics are taught in face-to-face classes based on lectures and based on a pre-specified curriculum.

Category

Behavior

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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

Iran 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

All potential data can be shared after publication of
result

**When the data will become available and for how
long**

At the end of data collection period until the publication
of results

To whom data/document is available

Only doctors and medical students

Under which criteria data/document could be used

Only when people intend to research about this topic

From where data/document is obtainable

To the scientific and executive members of the project

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

Communicate with the scientific and executive
authorities of the project - Submitting their official letter
from research centers -using the patient's information
only at designated center - Submitting their final report
obtained by information.

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