Assessing the Influence of Personalized Nursing Services on Severe Acute Pancreatitis Patients Who Undergoing Therapeutic Plasma Exchange

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Abstract: Objective: To evaluate the influence of personalized nursing services on Severe acute pancreatitis patients who undergoing therapeutic plasma exchange. Methods: 62 patients were invited to join our research, that they were diagnosed as severe acute pancreatitis from March 2016 to October 2019. We randomly assigned the participants to control group (n = 31) and a intervention group (n = 31). On the hand, the control group participants have traditional nursing services. On the other hand, we provided the personalized nursing services to the intervention group participants. The patients report related information that include serum biochemical indicators, Vital signs change, acute physiology and chronic health evaluation (APACHE II) and multiple organ dysfunction syndrome (MODS). Result: Serum biochemical indices had great improvement was SCr (from 371.4±63.2 to 116.2±52.7 & from 879.3±139.4 to 395.7±135.4). Compare with control group and intervention, the intervention group patients had greater improvement in SCr and AMS, intervention group patients’s improvement is about twice as great as control group patient’s. In vital signs change, the health status of patient is similar between control group and intervention group. In result of acute physiology and chronic health evaluation and multiple organ dysfunction syndrome, intervention group had better improvement in MODS domain, the influence of improvement is significant in the result. The MODS result of control group is worse than that of intervention group. Conclusion: The personalized nursing services provide great influence to reducing complications rate and treatment of speed. But the personalized nursing services only affect part of domains in the result, such as serum biochemical indices and MODS status.

Keywords: Personalized Nursing, Severe Acute Pancreatitis, Therapeutic Plasma Exchange

1. Introduction

Severe acute pancreatitis (SAP) is a common clinical acute abdominal disease. Base on Akinosoglou’s report, the fatality rate of SAP is 30% and higher as SAP course of disease is complex and its prognosis is lethal [1]. However, the report shown that SAP has 15% of patients in all pancreatitis patients in 2016. But the death rate in this report is more optimistic, the mortality of the report associated with SAP varies from 14 to 30% [2, 3]. The important cause of severe disease or even death is imbalance of immune regulation in patients with SAP. In SAP treatment process, excessive pro-inflammatory reaction or immunosuppression have great influence to hinder SAP treatment of patient [4, 5]. Artificial liver therapy is good treatment method for SAP patients, because most SAP treatment is regulating the imbalanced immune response of the body by immunomodulatory therapy. Furthermore, main influence of this treatment methods is restoring the dynamic balance in different stages and pathological conditions of SAP through stabilize the pro-inflammatory or stabilize
anti-inflammatory response of patient [6, 7].

Base on the report, Chinese hospital often use therapeutic plasma exchange (TPE) to treat SAP for approximately 20 years [8]. In some Chinese hospital, TPE teams were built to manage perioperative TPE as the approach allows for improved efficiency and reduced time in therapy. In role of TPE team, intensivist, and critical care nurses are indispensable parts in the TPE team [9, 10]. TPE’s therapeutic effect is secondary to elimination of antibodies, immune complexes, and cytokines in plasma with the premise that removal of these mediators will ameliorate disease [11]. Additionally, TPE has a sustained effect on the immune system, explaining some of the durable responses that have been observed after treatment. Aim of this research is assess the influence of nursing services on severe acute pancreatitis patients who undergoing therapeutic plasma exchange.

2. Methods

2.1. Participants Enrollment and Survey Methods

62 patients were invited to join our research, they were diagnosed as severe acute pancreatitis from March 2016 to October 2019. We randomly assigned the participants to two groups, that included a control group (n = 31) and a intervention group (n = 31). The participants of intervention group and control group have different nursing services. In control group, the participants have traditional nursing services which is the standard of nursing measure by the hospital. For intervention group, we provided the personalized nursing services to the participants in the treatment process. About personalized nursing services, it is provide personalized care services on the basis of patient’s habits, medical records and personal preferences. In before nursing services and after nursing services, we collect the information from all participants, the information included that serum biochemical indicators, Vital signs change, acute physiology and chronic health evaluation (APACHE II) and multiple organ dysfunction syndrome (MODS) [12, 13]. We collected data using the following questionnaires: APACHE II form and MODS form. Another information was collected by test related equipment.

Their inclusion criteria were: (1) the patients were diagnosed as acute pancreatitis; (2) They undergoing Double Filtration Plasmapheresis; (3) Patients volunteered to participate in follow-up; Their withdraw criteria were: (1) the patients had too many complications; (2) They had other pancreatic problems.

2.2. Statistical Analysis

Survey responses were analyzed using descriptive statistics. Sample proportions, means, and standard deviation (SD) are reported. All analyses were performed in SPSS 24.

3. Result

The serum biochemical indices shown the severe acute pancreatitis status of patient. Overall, all indices were decrease in posttreatment, but different indices receive varying degrees of improvement after treatment. Furthermore, the domain which had great improvement was SCr (from 371.4±63.2 to 116.2±52.7 & from 879.3±139.4 to 395.7±135.4). Compare with control group and intervention, the intervention group patients had greater improvement in SCr and AMS, intervention group patients’ improvement is about twice as great as control group patient’s.

Table 1. Serum biochemical indices (Mean±SD).

| Projects       | Period | BUN (mmol/L) | SCr (µmol/L) | LPS (U/L) | AMS (U/L) | ALT (U/L) |
|----------------|--------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Intervention   | PT     | 23.4±4.2     | 371.4±63.2   | 879.3±139.4 | 795.2±115.5 | 108.5±32.5 |
| (n = 31)       | PTT    | 13.7±3.2     | 116.2±52.7   | 395.7±135.4 | 462.4±106.2 | 59.9±28.1  |
| Control Group  | PT     | 22.7±4.1     | 368.7±66.1   | 882.9±144.8 | 789.4±119.9 | 109.4±33.9 |
| (n = 31)       | PTT    | 15.6±3.1     | 212.6±57.7   | 412.8±122.0 | 551.1±111.8 | 67±27.6   |
| t              | -      | 13.7±47      | 23.208       | 18.622     | 15.872    | 8.465     |
| P Value        | -      | <0.001       | <0.001       | <0.001     | <0.001    | <0.001    |

PT = prior treatment
PTT = posttreatment

The vital signs change indicates basic health status of patient in two time points, such as prior treatment and day 3 of treatment. In total, the therapeutic plasma exchange improve health status of patient in treatment result, every vital signs were changed to into normal range. The change gap between control group and intervention group is not big in the result (Table 2).

Table 2. Vital signs change (Mean±SD).

| Projects       | Period | Body temperature (C) | HR (Time/min) | R (Time/min) | MAP (mmHg) |
|----------------|--------|----------------------|---------------|--------------|------------|
| Intervention   | PT     | 38.8±0.9             | 127.4±20.3    | 32.4±4.9     | 109.4±13.2 |
| (n = 31)       | D3T    | 37.3±0.5*            | 102.4±17.6*   | 19.4±2.3*    | 105.4±12.9 |
| Control Group  | PT     | 38.4±0.8             | 125.7±19.8    | 34.2±5.1     | 108.6±14.4 |
| (n = 31)       | D3T    | 37.1±0.5*            | 110.5±18.1*   | 20.2±2.8     | 105.1±16.8* |

PT = prior treatment
D3T = Day 3 of treatment
*P < 0.05
Base on Table 3, on the one hand, total APACHE II score of control group and intervention group are higher than 8. On another hand, MODS score is change to normal rang in posttreatment. Additionally, intervention group had better improvement in MODS domain, the score is from 8.7±1.5 to 4.1±1.4, the influence of improvement is significant in the result. The MODS result of control group is worse than that of intervention group.

Table 3. Result of acute physiology and chronic health evaluation (APACHE II) and multiple organ dysfunction syndrome (MODS), (Mean±SD).

| Projects          | Period | APACHE II | MODS   |
|-------------------|--------|-----------|--------|
| Intervention group| PT     | 12.4±3.1  | 8.7±1.5|
| (n = 31)          | PTT    | 8.2±3.2   | 4.1±1.4|
| Control Group     | PT     | 13.1±3.3  | 8.5±1.9|
| (n = 31)          | PTT    | 10.6±3.7  | 6.6±1.8|
| t                 |        |           | 7.054  |
| P Value           |        |           | <0.001 |

PT = prior treatment
PTT = posttreatment

4. Discussion

The definition of severe acute pancreatitis according to the revised Atlanta classification (2012) is organ failure affecting respiratory, renal or cardiovascular system, that does not resolve within 48 hours [14]. About 10% of patients with acute pancreatitis had SAP occurs. Patients with SAP usually require admission to intensive care unit, where treatment may last for several weeks [15]. In SAP management, early enteral nutrition is associated with fewer local and distant infectious complications, seems to reduce mortality [16]. Acute pancreatitis is the leading cause of gastroenterological hospitalisations. In the UK, the hospitalisation rate for acute pancreatitis is 9.8 per 100,000 per year [17]. In addition, patients with acute pancreatitis have an increased risk of further reoccurrence, with 10% progressing to chronic pancreatitis. The most common risk factors for acute pancreatitis are gallstones and acute excessive alcohol intake, with idiopathic drug reactions to multiple medications also described [18]. Nonetheless, the influence of various treatments on the prognosis of SAP patients remains unclear because contradictory conclusions have to be drawn from different studies.

Follow as assessment result, the personalized nursing services provide great influence to reducing complications rate and treatment of speed. But the personalized nursing services only affect part of domains in the result, such as serum biochemical indices and MODS status. In serum biochemical indices result, the intervention group have greater performance than that of control group, it indicate the personalized nursing services have the function which it improve treatment of speed in treatment process. In body health result, the improvement of personalized nursing services is not significant, the recover status of patient are similar between control group and intervention group. In complications status, we analyze a common complications status of severe acute pancreatitis, that are MODS. The result is that the intervention group lower score in MODS research. In limit, the simple size reduces part of valuable results, such as health status of patients. In addition, we lack other complication data to analyze whether the personalized nursing services can influence other complications in the treatment process.

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