Protocol on: Evaluate the Effectiveness of Nursing Protocol on Knowledge and Practices Regarding Hemodialysis Care among Professional Staff

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ABSTRACT

Background: The prevalence rate of chronic kidney disease (CKD) ranges from 1 < percent to 13% and recently international society of nephrology reported In India, the prevalence rate of chronic kidney disease was 17 % in 2015.

Objective: 1. To assess the existing level of knowledge regarding hemodialysis care among professional staffs. 2. To assess the existing Practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staffs. 3. To assess the effectiveness of nursing protocol on knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staffs. 4. To find out the correlation between knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staffs. 6. To associate the level of knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis with selected demographic variable.

Methodology: It is Quasi experimental one group pre-posttest research design will be used in this research study conducted on the professional staff in the selected hospital of Wardha. Non-probability purposive sampling technique will be used to select samples for analysis. This research study included 60 professional staff of selected hospital of Wardha district.

Expected Results: Outcome includes To evaluate the nursing care for hemodialysis patients.
Through, improve and evaluate the knowledge and performance of hemodialysis care among professional staff before and after the education and training interventions. To assess the existing practice of hemodialysis care and the generation of new evidence.

**Conclusion:** Conclusion will be drawn from the statistical analysis.

**Keywords:** Hemodialysis care; knowledge; nursing protocol; practice; professional staff.

1. **INTRODUCTION**

Dialysis nurses should have good knowledge and have skillful practices in hemodialysis (HD) treatment. In the dialysis unit have an important role in monitoring, promoting the treatment, and educating of patients. In the developing and developed countries, with changes in lifestyle and advances in life expectancy, chronic diseases such as end-stage renal diseases, cardiac diseases, and diabetes mellitus are increasing steadily [1-3].

A major health problem in the world is chronic renal disease. End-stage renal disease (ESRD) is the number of patients that are irreversible and progressive kidney failure disease in developed and developing countries to increase Chronic Renal Failure (CRF). Chronic renal failure (CRF) results from total loss of kidney function. Total loss of kidney function results in chronic renal failure (CRF) [3,4].

The prevalence rate of chronic kidney disease (CKD) ranges from 1 < percent to 13 percent and recently international society of nephrology reported in India, the prevalence rate of chronic kidney disease was 17 percent in 2015. The risk factors and etiological factors are different in overall India [5-7].

End-stage renal disease or chronic kidney disease are common health problems in India. It includes diabetes mellitus, elderly, obese people. Many people around the world suffer from End-stage renal disease (ESRD) and require long-term dialysis [8-10].

Chronic renal failure is medically managed with fluid adjustments, correction of electrolyte imbalances, proper low protein diet, and drug. dialysis and renal replacement are the ultimate renal replacement therapy [11,12].

Standards of nursing care that the nurse shows and learns through nursing activities include assessment, diagnosis, recognition of outcomes, planning, implementation and evaluation. The nursing method considers clinical decision-making concepts and fundamentals, clinical guidance and includes all essential nurses' practices in delivering treatment to all patients [13,14].

Professional nursing practice standards are authoritative descriptions of the duties that are required to be performed competently by all registered nurses, regardless of their position, level of care or efficiency, beliefs and preferences, population or specialization, by which the quality of nursing practice can be measured [15-17].

1.1 **Aim of the Study**

To evaluate the nursing care for hemodialysis patients. Through, improve and evaluate the knowledge and performance of hemodialysis care among professional staff before and after the education and training interventions. To assess the existing practice of hemodialysis care and the generation of new evidence.

1.2 **Objectives**

1. To assess the existing level of knowledge regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff.
2. To assess the existing Practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff.
3. To assess the effectiveness of nursing protocol on knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff.
4. To find out the correlation between knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff.
5. To associate the level of knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis with selected demographic variable.

1.3 **Criteria of the Study**

1.3.1 **Inclusion criteria**

1. Professional staff who are giving care to the hemodialysis patients.
2. Professional staff who are willing to participate.
1.3.2 Exclusion criteria

1. Those who are not directly involved in hemodialysis patient care.
2. Those who are participants in similar type of study.

1.4 Research Hypothesis

$H_0$: It is expected that there is a significant difference between per-test and post-test knowledge and practices on hemodialysis care among professional staff.

2. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

It is an academic based study. In this study will be used interventional research approach. Quasi-experimental one group pre-posttest research design will be used. The study will be conducted in selected hospital of Wardha district. Sampling technique will be used non probability purposive sampling technique. In this research study the accessible population will be the professional staff in selected hospital of Wardha district.

2.1 Sample Size

To calculated to according working staffs.

In consideration of 10% dropout, 120 participants will be assigned.

The sample consists of the unite which comprise the population. Sixty (60) professional staffs were selected using calculated formula to suit the study. Formula for calculating sample size [16].

$$N = \frac{X^2 \cdot N \cdot P(1 - P)}{C^2(N - 1) + X^2 \cdot P(1 - P)}$$

Where;

$X^2$ is the chisquare value for 1. df at 95% confidence interval = 1.96

N= Total professional staff = 70

P= 50% Proportion = 0.50

$C^2$ = Desired error of level = 0.05

$$N = \frac{3.84 \times 70 \times 0.50 \times 0.50}{(0.052 \times 69) + (3.84 \times 0.50 \times 0.50)}$$

= 59.64

N= 60 professional staff needed in the study

2.2 Interventions

On the first day of the study, first the pre-test knowledge regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff will be assessed through a structured knowledge questionnaire. Observe the per practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff will be assessed through the observational checklist.

After the education and training interventions will be given on the same day to the professional staff.

On the 7th day post-test the effectiveness of nursing protocol on knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff.

2.3 Outcome Measures

Primary outcomes assessment of existing knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff.

Secondary outcomes assessment of post-test knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff.

The effectiveness of nursing protocol on knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff.

Correlation between knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff.

Association of knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis with selected demographic variable.

2.4 Data Management and Monitoring

The demographic data (like age, education, place of work, total year experience), in this pre-test to assess the existing level of awareness. Than given the intervention of nursing protocol on knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis care after 7 the day to taken the post test.

2.5 Structured Questionnaire

It consists of three sections.

**Section A.** Consist of demographic data such as age, qualification, place of work, total year of experience
RESEARCH DESIGN
Quasi experimental one group per-test post-test research design

TARGET POPULATION
Professional staff

ACCESSIBLE POPULATION
Professional staff in selected hospital of Wardha district

SAMPLING TECHNIQUE
Non probability purposive sampling

SAMPLE SIZE
60 samples

TOOL
Knowledge questionnaire and Observation checklist

VARIABLES

DEPENDENT VARIABLE
nursing protocol on knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff.

INDEPENDENT VARIABLE
Planned teaching on knowledge and practice regarding care of hemodialysis

DATA COLLECTION PROCEDURE

ANALYSIS
Descriptive and inferential statistics

INTERPRETATION & REPORT WRITING

REPORT WRITING

Fig. 1. Schematic presentation of one group pretest and post-test design
Table 1. Scoring method to assess the knowledge regarding the care of hemodialysis

| Sr.no. | Level of knowledge score | Score range |
|-------|--------------------------|-------------|
| 1.    | Poor                     | 0-5         |
| 2.    | Average                  | 6-10        |
| 3.    | Good                     | 11-15       |
| 4.    | Excellent                | 16-20       |

Table 2. Scoring method to assess the practice regarding the care of hemodialysis

| Sr.no. | Level of practice score | Score range |
|-------|--------------------------|-------------|
| 1.    | Poor                     | 0-6         |
| 2.    | Average                  | 7-12        |
| 3.    | Good                     | 13-18       |
| 4.    | Excellent                | 19-24       |

Section B. Consists of 20 questions on hemodialysis care knowledge questionnaire

Section C. Consists of 24 steps on the Observation checklist

2.6 Scoring

The scoring system for each tool should have under it:

- The correct answer was given 1 score.
- The wrong answer was given a 0 score
- Knowledge was categorized from poor knowledge to excellent knowledge based on the scores
- Practice was categorized from poor practice to excellent practice based on the scores

2.7 Statistical Analysis

Statistical analyses will be performed using SPSS software version 23.

3. EXPECTED OUTCOMES/RESULTS

This study is planned to improve effectiveness of nursing protocol on knowledge and practice regarding hemodialysis care among professional staff.

4. DISCUSSION

A quasi-experimental study was conducted in Egypt. The convenience samples of forty one nurses were all woman and had prior experience caring for patients on hemodialysis. 68.3 percent of nurses were unaware of hemodialysis nursing care quality, according to the report. More than half of nurses (61.0 percent - 56.1 percent) had not attended a workshop in the previous five years and had not attended educational lectures. In comparison to the pre-test time, an equal proportion of nurses achieved very good or excellent overall total knowledge and efficiency in the post-test and follow-up times, as well as an improvement in total mean scores for findings related to overall infection control results [17].

A quasi-experimental study was conducted in Egypt. 90.6 percent of the nurses had adequate levels of expertise. In addition to the overall pre score, the nurses' practice scores improved significantly in the areas of general precautions, hand washing procedure, procedure of wearing gloves, wearing masks, procedure of catheter insertion, skin preparation procedure, taking care of patients' instruments, dealing with sharp items, dealing with blood, body secretions, and fluids, and ensuring a clean environment and healthy injection practices. Several aspects of the nurses' work, such as laboratory-style covering coats, complete isolation, and catheter treatment, saw major changes. The practice score level was satisfactory in 68.7 percent of the nurses, while it was insufficient in 31.3 percent. Older nurses and those with a bachelor's degree in nursing had slightly higher awareness scores and levels of progress after completing the education program [18].

5. CONCLUSION

Conclusion will be drawn from the statistical analysis.

CONSENT AND ETHICAL APPROVAL

This study is approved by the Institutional Ethics Committee of DMIMS (DMIMS(DU)/IEC/DEC-2019/8689). All participants will asked to read and sign the informed consent. The study results will be disseminated to study participants and published in peer-reviewed publications

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COMPETING INTERESTS

Authors have declared that no competing interests exist.

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