

A Study to Evaluate Effectiveness of Structured Teaching Programme (STP) on Knowledge Regarding Menstrual Disorder among B.Sc. Nursing I Year and B.Sc. Nursing II Year at Baba Educational Society, Institute of Paramedical, College of Nursing, Lucknow Uttar Pradesh

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ABSTRACT

The present study has been conducted to know the effectiveness of structured teaching program (STP) on knowledge regarding menstrual disorder among B.Sc. nursing I years and B.Sc. nursing II years at various colleges of nursing of Lucknow. The selection of sample was done through convenient sampling. The sample size was 30. The method of data collection was through demographic variables and structured knowledge questionnaire regarding menstrual disorder among B.Sc. nursing I year and B.Sc. nursing II years. Result shows that structured teaching programme was effective in improving the knowledge regarding menstrual disorder.

KEYWORDS: Knowledge, structured teaching program, Effectiveness, Menstrual disorder

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INTRODUCTION

Menstruation and menstrual hygiene are the important determinants of women's reproductive health but various cultural taboos and sociocultural restrictions result in adolescent girls remaining ignorant of the scientific facts and hygienic health practices, which sometimes results in adverse health outcomes.

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Menstruation and culture are about cultural aspects surrounding how society views menstruation. A menstrual taboo is any social taboo concerned with menstruation. In some societies it involves menstruation being perceived as unclean or embarrassing, inhibiting even the mention of menstruation whether in public (in the media and advertising) or in private (among friends, in the household, or with men). Many traditional religions consider menstruation ritually unclean, although anthropologists point out that the concept of 'sacred' or 'unclean' may be intimately connected.

NEED FOR THE STUDY

Menstrual disorders are common among adolescent and reproductive-aged women previous studies of menstrual disorders among teenagers and young women including in Malaysia, have revealed high prevalence, especially in premenstrual syndrome upto 96% followed by dysmenorrhoea 94% heavy bleeding 47.0% irregular bleeding, oligomenorrhoea and amenorrhoea up to 18%.

Menstrual dysfunction is a major gynecological problem that occurs in female adolescent girls. However, it may affect female normal life and reproductive health, due to changes in lifestyle and healthy habits a variety of studies have shown that weight loss and weight gain can both significantly affect menstrual cycle reproductive health morbidity.

Dysmenorrhoea is one of the most prevalent menstrual problems during adolescence and can even cause women to become bedridden. A review by Devis et al 11 showed that 20-90% of adolescent girls reported dysmenorrhoea and almost 15% of those experienced severe dysmenorrhoea. Another menstrual problem that can affect women's daily activities is premenstrual syndrome (PMS). In a systematic review, the pooled prevalence of PMS was found to be 17.8%. Menstrual disorders such as menorrhagia, abnormal uterine bleeding, and polymenorrhoea contribute to almost 12% of gynecology referrals and are usually associated with a very high chance of surgical intervention collateral reported that 60% of women underwent a hysterectomy within 5 years of a referral for menorrhagia. Premenstrual syndrome and dysmenorrhoea are privileged medical disorders among urban adolescents with morbidity including school absenteeism and are higher among those with negative period expectations. Since only 2% often

receive information regarding menstruation from their health care provider, the health care provider must increase their anticipatory guidance regarding normal

menstruation. This may aid in the prompt diagnosis and treatment of menstrual disorders and decrease the associated morbidities.

OBJECTIVES

- To assess the knowledge regarding menstrual disorders among B.Sc. Nursing I year and B.Sc. Nursing II years in Baba College of Nursing 2022.
- To assess the post-test knowledge score regarding menstrual disorder among B.Sc. Nursing I year and B.Sc. Nursing II years of Baba College of Nursing 2022.
- To compare pre-test and post-test knowledge regarding menstrual disorder among B.Sc. Nursing I year and B.Sc. Nursing II years of Baba College of Nursing 2022.
- To find an association between knowledge regarding menstrual disorders among B.Sc. Nursing I year and B.Sc. Nursing II years with selected demographic variables.

Hypothesis

H1 - There will be a significant difference between pre-test and post-test scores regarding menstrual disorder among B.Sc. Nursing I year and B.Sc. Nursing II years in Baba College of Nursing 2022.

H2 - There will be a significant association between knowledge and practice regarding menstrual disorder among the B.Sc. Nursing I year and B.Sc. Nursing II years of year Baba College of Nursing 2022

OPERATIONAL DEFINITION

Knowledge-

It is the ability of a B.Sc. Nursing I year and B.Sc. Nursing II years to understand & answer the questions regarding menstrual disorders.

B.Sc. nursing I year and B.Sc. nursing II year –

It is a bachelor of science in nursing which is 4 yr. program that aims to prepare the student to work effectively as a member of a health team in which B.Sc. nursing I year and B.Sc. nursing II year nursing degree from Baba College of Nursing who had joined this institute.

Structure Teaching Program-

It is systematically developed instructions and teaching aids designed to provide information.

Effectiveness-

Checking for the desired effect of the intended result or an outcome. It refers to an increased level of

knowledge on the menstrual disorder as evidenced by the significant difference in the pre and post-test knowledge scores.

ASSUMPTION

1. B.Sc. Nursing I year and B.Sc. Nursing II years will have some knowledge regarding menstrual disorders.
2. Level of knowledge regarding menstrual disorders among B.Sc. Nursing I year and B.Sc. Nursing II years differ according to their age and education
3. B.Sc. Nursing I year and B.Sc. Nursing II years will gain more knowledge regarding the menstrual disorder.
4. B.Sc. Nursing I year and B.Sc. Nursing II years do not share problems regarding menstrual because of social taboos.
5. This study will help to provide adequate knowledge regarding effective management of menstrual disorders among B.Sc. Nursing I year and B.Sc. Nursing II year.

RESEARCH APPROACH

The research is an applied form of research that involves finding out how well perform a program practice procedure.

An experimental approach was used to determine the effectiveness of a structured teaching program on knowledge regarding menstrual disorder among B.Sc. nursing I Year and B.Sc. nursing II Year students of Baba Educational Society, Institute of Paramedical, College of Nursing, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow.

RESEARCH DESIGN

Research design is the overall plan for obtaining answers to the questions being studied and for handling some of the difficulties encountered during the research process.

The research question is a plan structure of investigation conceived to obtain the answer to the research question and to control variance. The research design selected for the present study is experimental.

POPULATION

According to Polit “a population is the entire aggregation of the meet designated set of criteria. This study population comprises B.Sc. nursing I Year and B.Sc. nursing II Year from Baba educational society, Institute of Paramedical, College of Nursing, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh during the study period.

Target Population – B.Sc. nursing I year and B.Sc. nursing II years at Baba Educational Society, Institute

of Paramedical, College of Nursing, Lucknow Uttar Pradesh.

Accessible population- The accessible population is the population in research to which the researcher can apply their conclusion This population is the subject set of the target population and is also known as the study population

All the B.Sc. nursing I year and B.Sc. nursing II years studied at Baba Educational Society, Institute of Paramedical College of Nursing, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.

SOURCE OF DATA COLLECTION

B.Sc. nursing I year and B.Sc. nursing II years at Baba Educational Society, Institute of Paramedical, College of Nursing, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.

RESEARCH DESIGN

Pre-experimental one group pre-test post-test design.

VARIABLES IN THE STUDY

A variable is selected or controlled by the researcher to determine its relationship to the observed outcome of the research.

Polit and Hungler, (1999) a variable are the name implies, something that varies.

Dependent variable -knowledge regarding the menstrual disorder.

Independent variable- structured teaching program on knowledge regarding the menstrual disorder.

Research variable- knowledge of B.Sc. nursing I year and B.Sc. nursing II years regarding the menstrual disorder.

Demographic variable- age, educational status, family income, course, source of information, religion, knowledge of the menstrual disorder, menarche age, duration, and history of menstrual disorder.

SETTING OF THE STUDY

The physical condition and location in which data collection takes place in a study. The present study will be conducted in Baba Educational Society, Institute of Paramedical, College of Nursing, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow the researcher had adopted to conduct and availability of sample in addition to the cooperation extended by the principal.

SAMPLE

The study samples were B.Sc. Nursing I year B.Sc. Nursing II years at Baba Educational Society, Institute of Paramedical, College of Nursing, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.

SAMPLE SIZE

The sample size is 30

CRITERIA FOR SAMPLE SELECTION**Inclusion criteria -**

The study includes -

- B.Sc. Nursing I year B.Sc. Nursing II years who are willing to participate.
- B.Sc. Nursing I year B.Sc. Nursing II years who are available at the time of data collection.

Exclusion criteria -

The study includes -

- B.Sc. Nursing I year B.Sc. Nursing II years who are not willing to participate.
- B.Sc. Nursing I year B.Sc. Nursing II years who are not present during the study.

SAMPLING TECHNIQUE

Non-randomized convenient sampling

RESULTS

A total of 30 students were selected from B.Sc. nursing I year and B.Sc. nursing II years at Baba Educational Society, Institute of Paramedical, College of Nursing, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.

Table No.1.1- Frequency and percentage distribution of menstrual disorder based on demographic variables.

S. No.	Items	Frequency	Percentage	
1	Age	a-17 years	9	30%
		b-18years	9	30%
		c-19years	12	40%
2	Religion	a-Hindu	29	96.66%
		b-Muslim	1	3.33%
		c-Christian	0	0
		d-Sikh	0	0
3	Type of family	a-Nuclear family	13	43.33%
		b-Joint family	17	56.66%
		c-Extended family	0	0
4	Family income/month	a-up to Rs.5000/-	3	10%
		b-Rs.5000 to Rs.10,000/-	7	23.33%
		c-Rs.10,000 to Rs.15,000/-	9	30%
		d-More than Rs.15,000/-	11	36.66%
5	Educational status of the mother	a-No formal education	6	20%
		b-Primary school	4	13.33%
		c-High school/ higher secondary	7	23.33%
		d-Graduate	13	43.33%
6	Age of menarche	a-Less than 10 years	1	3.33%
		b-11-12 years	6	20%
		c-13-14 years	18	60%
		d-Above 15 years	5	16.66%
7	Frequency of M.C	a-Less than 21 days	2	6.66%
		b-21-28 days	18	60%
		c-More than 28 days	10	33.33%
8	Duration of Menstrual cycle	a-Less than 3 days	2	6.66%
		b-4-5 days	21	70%
		c-More than 5 days	7	23.33%
9	History of menstrual disorder	a-Absence of menstrual disorder	21	70%
		b-Scanty or less bleeding	4	13.33%
		c-Menstruation with heavy bleeding at regular intervals.	2	6.66%
		d-Menstruation with prolonged bleeding at irregular intervals	3	10%
10	Source of information	a-The Elder in the family	14	46.66%
		b-Friends	5	16.66%
		c-Teachers	2	6.66%
		dtelevision/internet	1	3.33%
		e-None	8	26.66%

The majority of B.Sc. nursing I and B.Sc. nursing II years students (40%) belong to the 19 year age group, (96.66%) belong to the Hindu religion, (33.34%) live in a joint family (36.66%) have more than 15000/- family income, (43.33%) educational status of the mother, (60%) have 13-14 years age of menarche, (60%) have less than 21 days of frequency of menstruation, (70%) duration of the menstrual cycle is 3-5 days, (70%) have a history of absence of menstrual disorder, (46.66%) got information from elders in the family.

Table no.2 Distribution of overall knowledge score

Level of Knowledge	Score
Adequate knowledge (76 -100%)	15-20
Moderate knowledge (51-75%)	8-14
Inadequate knowledge (less than 50%)	0-7

Based on obtained score subjects are arbitrarily grouped into 3 groups as given below:

Adequate- 15-20

Moderate - 8-14

Inadequate- 0-7

Table No: 3 Chi-square Test Showing the Association between Pre-Test Knowledge Score of students with selected demographic variable.

Selected demographic variable	Category	Knowledge Level			Df	Table value	Obtained value	Significance
		Inadequate	Moderate	Adequate				
Age in years	17 years	3	5	1	4	9.59	5.853	NS
	18 years	1	5	3				
	19 years	2	9	1				
Religion	Hindu	6	18	5	6	12.59	2.035	NS
	Muslim	0	1	0				
	Christian	0	0	0				
	Sikh	0	0	0				
Type of family	Nuclear family	1	10	2	4	9.49	2.422	NS
	Joint family	5	9	3				
	Extended family	0	0	0				
The family income per month	Up to ` 5000/-	1	2	0	6	12.59	3.3605	NS
	` 5000/- to 10000/-	1	5	1				
	` 10000/- to 15000/-	1	7	1				
	More than 15000/-	3	5	3				
Educational status of the mother	No formal education	2	4	0	6	12.59	3.3843	NS
	Primary education	0	3	1				
	Higher Secondary	1	5	1				
	Graduate	3	7	3				
Age of menarche	Less than 10 years	1	0	0	6	12.59	10.6583	NS
	11-12years	1	4	1				
	13-14 years	2	13	4				
	Above 15 years	2	2	0				
Frequency of menstrual cycle	Less than 21 days	1	1	0	4	9.49	4.2	NS
	21-28 days	4	10	4				
	More than 28days	1	8	1				
Duration of menstruation cycle	Less than 3 days	2	0	0	4	9.49	11.308	S
	4-5days	2	14	5				
	More than 5 days	2	5	0				

History of menstrual disorder	Absence of menstrual disorder	5	11	5	6	12.59	5.7	NS
	Scanty or less bleeding at regular interval	0	4	0				
	Menstruation with heavy bleeding at regular interval	0	2	0				
	Menstruation with prolonged bleeding at regular interval	1	2	0				
Source of information	Elders in the family	2	8	4	8	15.51	9.238	NS
	Friends	3	2	0				
	Teachers	0	2	0				
	Television/Internet	0	1	0				
	None	1	6	1				

NS= Not significant S= Significant

Table No 3. shows that there is no significant association between pre-test knowledge and selected socio-demographic variables of students such as Age, religion, Education qualification of mother, and Previous knowledge regarding menstrual disorder. Structured teaching program classes attended on the menstrual disorder, Sources of information, and Year of the study.

There is a significant association between pre-test knowledge and demographic variable duration of the menstrual cycle.

Hence it can be interpreted that the percentage knowledge score related to socio-demographic variables where only by chance and not a true difference and hence research hypothesis was not accepted.

Table no.4. - Chi-square test showing the association between post-test knowledge score of students with selected demographic variable.

Selected demographic variables	Category	Knowledge level			Df	Table value	Obtained value	Significance
		Inadequate	Moderate	Adequate				
Age	17 years	0	1	8	4	9.49	0.1743	NS
	18 years	0	1	8				
	19 years	0	1	11				
Religion	Hindu	0	3	26	6	12.59	0.21378	NS
	Muslim	0	0	1				
	Christian	0	0	0				
	Sikh	0	3	0				
Type of family	Nuclear family	0	1	12	4	9.49	0.106	NS
	Joint family	0	2	5				
	Extended family	0	0	0				
The family income per month	Up to ` 5000/-	0	1	2	6	12.59	4.399	NS
	` 5000/- to ` 10000/-	0	0	7				
	` 10000/- to ` 15000/-	0	0	9				
	More than ` 15000/-	0	2	9				
Educational status of the mother	No formal education	0	1	5	6	12.59	0.9576	NS
	Primary education	0	0	4				
	Higher Secondary	0	1	6				
	Graduate	0	1	12				
Age of	Less than 10 years	0	0	1	6	12.59	1.317	NS

menarche	11-12years	0	1	5				
	13-14years	0	2	17				
	Above 15 years	0	0	4				
Frequency of menstrual cycle	Less than 21 days	0	0	2	4	9.49	4.086	NS
	21-28days	0	3	15				
	More than 28 days	0	0	10				
Duration of menstruation cycle	Less than 3days	0	1	1	4	9.49	2.77	NS
	4-5 days	0	1	20				
	More than 5 days	0	1	6				
History of menstrual disorder	Absence of menstrual disorder	0	3	18	6	12.59	1.4294	NS
	Scanty or less bleeding	0	0	4				
	Menstruation with heavy bleeding at regular interval	0	0	2				
	Menstruation with prolonged bleeding at irregular interval	0	0	3				
Source of information	Elder in the family	0	2	12	8	15.51	1.2615	NS
	Friends	0	1	4				
	Teachers	0	0	2				
	Television	0	0	1				
	None	0	0	8				

NS= Not significant S= Significant

Table No 4 shows that there is no significant association between post-test knowledge and selected socio-demographic variables of students such as Age, religion, type of Family, family income per month, age of menarche, duration of menstruation, frequency of menstrual cycle, education qualification of mother, source of information, Previous knowledge regarding the menstrual disorder, Structured teaching program classes attended on the menstrual disorder, source of information and Year of the study.

Hence it can be interpreted that the percentage knowledge score related to socio-demographic variables were only by chance and not a true difference and hence research hypothesis was not accepted.

DISCUSSION

The major finding of the study includes- (that 40%) belong to the 19year age group, (96.66%) belong to the Hindu religion, (33.34%) live in a joint family, (36.66%) have more than 15000/- family income, (43.33%) educational status of the mother, (60%) have 13-14 years age of menarche, (60%) have less than 21 days of frequency of menstruation, (70%) duration of the menstrual cycle is 3-5 days, (70%) have a history of absence of menstrual disorder, (46.66%) got information from elders in the family. A majority (90%) of the students had adequate knowledge scores in the post-test as compared to the pre-test; the majority (10%) had moderate knowledge scores in the post-test as compared to the pre-test and only (0%) had inadequate knowledge.

Post-test mean score (24) is greater than the previous test's mean score (15.36) the difference is (8.64) Hence null hypothesis was rejected and the research hypothesis was accepted.

A Chi-square test and t-test were used to find out the association between pre-test and post-test knowledge scores and selected demographic variables.

The mean difference between pre-test and post-test knowledge scores of menstrual disorder among B.Sc. nursing I and B.Sc. nursing II years. was found to be statistically significant ($t = 29, P < 0.05$).

This result clearly showed that STP was useful in improving the knowledge of B.Sc. nursing I and B.Sc. nursing II years related to menstrual disorders. The gain in knowledge was the effect of STP and the result was highly significant at 0.05 levels.

Nursing Implications

Nursing Education –

Workshops and seminars can be organized where students, school teachers, and staff nurses on identifying the problems leading to menstrual disorders and their importance.

Nursing Administration-

The administrator should facilitate the implementation of various community programs and also document the activities for better implementation. There should be necessary health education, material and administrative support provided to conduct health programs.

Nursing Practice-

It will help in creating awareness among nurses and students about menstrual disorders and important measures which in turn can promote a healthy society.

Nursing Research –

Instructional materials can be developed to increase the awareness among nurses and students on menstrual disorders.

Limitations

1. A sample of 30 students for one group pre and post-test only were considered.
2. The setting was limited to Baba college of Nursing Chinhat, Lucknow
3. The study period was limited to 4 weeks only.

Recommendations

1. The finding of the study would reveal the existing knowledge regarding menstrual disorder among B.Sc. nursing I and B.Sc. nursing II years.
2. Structured teaching program can be used to teach menstrual disorders.
3. The study highlights the need for further studies with a large sample to validate and generalize the finding.

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