

# Call for Alleviating Sexual Issues among Cervical Cancer Survivors' Women in Northern Upper Egypt

**Background:** Cervical cancer affects all aspects of a patient's life, including sexual functioning, body image, and intimacy.

**Aim:** The present study aimed to evaluate the impact of a protocol of nursing intervention on sexual dysfunction and body image among cervical cancer survivors' women.

**Methods; Design:** A quasi-experimental research design was conducted. **Setting:** out-patient clinic in the oncology unit at Beni-Suef University Hospital. **Subjects:** A purposive sample of 70 women. **Tools:** Data was collected through a structured interviewing questionnaire sheet, female sexual function index, female sexual distress scale, and body image scale.

**Results:** The results of the study revealed that there was a high statistically significant difference in the women's total score of knowledge about cervical cancer, total scores of female sexual function index, female sexual distress scale, and body image scale at post-intervention compared to pre-intervention ( $p < 0.001$ ).

**Conclusion:** The study concluded that educational protocol, which provided to cervical cancer survivors' women, have a positive effect on their own knowledge, body image, and sexual function.

**Recommendations:** disseminate the multidisciplinary collaboration approach for addressing sexual problems related to cervical cancer, and preparing health classes for cervical cancer women regarding sexual dysfunction with cervical cancer.

**Keywords:** cervical cancer, sexual dysfunction, sexual distress, body image