

Impact of an Educational Program on Sexual Dysfunction Associated With Cervical Cancer

Abstract Background: Sexuality is an important part of normal human functioning. Causes of sexual dysfunction following cervical cancer treatments may be multi-factorial but it may often result from the direct effects of the treatment. **Aim:** study the impact of an educational program on sexual dysfunction of women with cervical cancer **Methods; Design:** A quasi-experimental design. **Setting:** out-patient clinic in the oncology unit at Beni-Suef University Hospital. **Subjects:** A purposive sample of 70 women. **Tools:** structured interviewing questionnaire sheet, and a female sexual function index. **Results:** The results of the study progression and improvement of all items of women's Sexual Function Index (Desire, Arousal, Lubrication, Orgasm, Satisfaction, and Pain) post-program compared to pre-one. **Conclusion:** The teaching program was very effective in improving sexuality for women with cervical cancer. **Recommendations:** Women's counseling activities regarding cervical cancer, and sexuality need to be popularized and facilities and decision-making aids made available to those who need them.

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