Effect of recreational therapy in patients with breast cancer

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12/07/2024		☐ Protocol	
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12/07/2024	Completed	☐ Results	
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12/07/2024	Mental and Behavioural Disorders	Record updated in last year	

Plain English summary of protocol

Background and study aims

Breast cancer is one of the most common malignant tumors in women. This study aimed to observe the effect of recreational therapy on anxiety and depression and quality of life in patients with breast cancer undergoing radiotherapy.

Who can participate?

Female patients aged 20 - 65 years with breast cancer undergoing radiotherapy.

What does the study involve?

160 patients were randomly divided into intervention group (n = 82) and control group (n = 78). The patients in the two groups were investigated by questionnaire. The intervention group was treated with recreational therapy during radiotherapy for about 30 days. Patients in the control group were routinely got nursing education about radiotherapy knowledge and self-care methods after admission. Follow-up was conducted 1 month after surgery.

What are the possible benefits and risks of participating?

Recreational therapy can effectively reduce the negative emotions of anxiety and depression in patients with breast cancer during radiotherapy after radical mastectomy, and Recreational therapy has a significant effect on the quality of life in the field of overall health status.

Where is the study run from?

The Fourth Hospital of Hebei Medical University (China)

When is the study starting and how long is it expected to run for? May 2012 to December 2013

Who is funding the study?

Key Science and Technology Research Program of Health Commission of Hebei Province (No. 20150809) (China)

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Clinical Trials Information System (CTIS)

Nil known

ClinicalTrials.gov (NCT)

Nil known

Protocol serial number

Nil known

Study information

Scientific Title

Effect of recreational therapy on psychological status and quality of life in patients with breast cancer undergoing radiotherapy

Study objectives

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Ethics approval required

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Ethics approval(s)

approved 17/11/2021, Ethics Committee of The Fourth Hospital of Hebei Medical University (No. 12 of Jiankang Road, Chang'an District, Shijiazhuang, 050011, China; +86-31186095784; hb4thgcp@126.com), ref: 2021145

Study design

Single-centre interventional randomized controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Study type(s)

Quality of life

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Prevention of anxiety and depression and improvement of quality of life in patients with breast cancer undergoing radiotherapy

Interventions

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Intervention Type

Behavioural

Primary outcome(s)

At baseline and follow-up (1 month after surgery):

- 1. General demographic characteristics collected by questionnaire
- 2. Anxiety measured by Self-rating anxiety scale (SAS)
- 3. Depression measured by Self-Rating Depression Scale (SDS)
- 4. Quality of life measure by EORTC Cancer Quality of Life Core Scale (QLQ-C30) and Breast Cancer Specific Scale (QLQ-BR23)

Key secondary outcome(s))

There are no secondary outcome measures.

Completion date

31/12/2013

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

- 1. Female patients after modified radical mastectomy
- 2. Married, aged ≤50 years
- 3. KPS score ≥70 points
- 4. Patients with normal cognition, reading and writing ability, informed consent, voluntary participation in the survey of the first radiotherapy

Participant type(s)

Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed

Age group

Adult

Lower age limit

20 years

Upper age limit

50 years

Sex

Female

Total final enrolment

160

Key exclusion criteria

- 1. Combined with other malignant tumors
- 2. Severe liver and kidney dysfunction
- 3. Previous history of mental illness or personality disorders, nearly a month have taken antipsychotic drugs
- 4. Unmarried, divorced, widowed
- 5. Spouses during the illness of patients with major diseases

Date of first enrolment

30/06/2012

Date of final enrolment

31/12/2012

Locations

Countries of recruitment

China

Study participating centre

The Fourth Hospital of Hebei Medical University

No. 12 of Jiankang Road, Chang'an District Shijiazhuang China 050011

Sponsor information

Organisation

The Fourth Hospital of Hebei Medical University

Funder(s)

Funder type

Government

Funder Name

Key Science and Technology Research Program of Health Commission of Hebei Province

Results and Publications

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

The datasets generated during and/or analysed during the current study will be available upon request from Junli Liang (nienannan@126.com).

IPD sharing plan summary

Available on request

Study outputs

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
Participant information sheet	Participant information sheet	11/11/2025	11/11/2025 No	Yes