

Effects of Parent-Doctor Communication Training for paediatric doctors: a randomised controlled trial

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Study information

Scientific Title

Acronym

PDCT

Study objectives

1. Parents satisfaction with their childrens treatment by a paediatric doctor is higher if the doctors have participated in a communication training (in comparison to treatment by the doctors who have not yet participated in a communication training)
2. Paediatric doctors who participate in a communication training show higher subjective self-efficacy than the doctors who have not yet participated in a communication training
3. Paediatric doctors who have participated in a communication training score higher in a multi-station exercise (Objective Structured Clinical Examination) (OSCE) than the doctors who have not yet participated in a communication training

Ethics approval required

Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)

Approved by the Ethical Committee of the Medical Department of Heidelberg (Ethikkommission der Medizinischen Fakultät Heidelberg) on 05/09/2005, reference number: 307/2005

Study design

Randomised controlled trial

Primary study design

Interventional

Secondary study design

Randomised controlled trial

Study setting(s)

Not specified

Study type(s)

Other

Participant information sheet

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied

Communication abilities

Interventions

Paediatric doctors are matched in pairs of two and randomised to an intervention and control group. The intervention group participates in a communication training of four 2-hour sessions.

Both groups take part in a multi-station exercise after the training. In addition there is a survey of parents' satisfaction with their children's treatment in the emergency outpatient department three months before and three months after the training. Doctors' self-efficacy in both groups is assessed by a questionnaire before and after the training. Once the surveys are completed the control group will participate in the communication training.

Intervention Type

Other

Phase

Not Applicable

Primary outcome measure

1. Multi-station exercise (OSCE, a practical exam): higher scores for those doctors who participated in the communication training
2. Improved parents satisfaction with their childrens treatment if the doctors have participated in the communication training (questionnaire)
3. Self-efficacy: doctors who have participated in the communication training show higher self-efficacy than those who have not yet participated (questionnaire)

Secondary outcome measures

Not provided at time of registration

Overall study start date

01/11/2005

Completion date

30/06/2006

Eligibility**Key inclusion criteria**

Paediatric doctors: those who work in the emergency outpatient department between 4.30 and 10 pm and who are willing to participate

Parents: those who visit the emergency outpatient department between 4.30 and 10 pm and who are willing to participate

Participant type(s)

Patient

Age group

Adult

Sex

Both

Target number of participants

Minimum 300 parents, 33 paediatric doctors

Key exclusion criteria

Paediatric doctors: leading position

Parents: those who do not understand and speak German sufficiently

Date of first enrolment

01/11/2005

Date of final enrolment

30/06/2006

Locations

Countries of recruitment

Germany

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Sponsor information

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Results and Publications

Publication and dissemination plan

Not provided at time of registration

Intention to publish date

Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan

IPD sharing plan summary

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