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ABSTRACT

Tuberculosis remains as a major public health problem and one of the world's deadliest communicable diseases. In 2013, globally around 9 million people were estimated to have developed TB and 1.5 million died of TB. India accounts for 24% of world TB cases. Quality of life refers to a subjective evaluation which is embedded in a cultural, social and environmental context. Thus, in an individual the impact of any disease, especially chronic illness is all-encompassing, not only his physical health but also ones psychological, economic, and social well-being.

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REVIEW OF THE ARTICLE

Quality Of Life Of Multi Drug Resistant Tuberculosis
Patients In India

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Abstract and Introduction:

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Literature Review:

The literature review was up-to-date. The number of references was appropriate and their selection is judicious. The review of the literature was well integrated. The literature was analyzed and critically appraised.

Methodology:

Author mentioned research methodology in detail. Researcher adopted the descriptive research design to study the QOL of MDR TB patients. A structured interview schedule was instrumented to collect the data along with WHO QOL BREF; a 26-item scale was used to assess the Quality of life.

Presentation of Results:

Among the MDR TB patients especially the young patients in the age group of 18 to 30 years have higher QOL when compared to other age groups. The QOL of male MDR TB patients is comparatively higher to females MDR TB patients. The amount of data presented was sufficient and appropriate. Tables, graphs, or figures were used judiciously and agree with the text.

Conclusions:

There is a much scope that awaits for the health fraternity, health care professionals and policy makers to device and incorporate a systematic approach to study the quality issues of TB and MDR TB patients which would pave way for a timely and relevant intervention for the MDR TB patients.

Scientific Conduct:

There are no instances of plagiarism. Ideas and materials of others are correctly attributed.

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