Treatment of PTSD in children using cognitive behavioral writing therapy: An open trial

No registrations found.

Ethical review Positive opinion **Status** Recruiting

Health condition type -

Study type Interventional

Summary

ID

NL-OMON28877

Source

NTR

Brief title

N/A

Health condition

PTSD in children and adolescents

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: University of Amsterdam

GGZ Dijk en Duin, Zaandam

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Stichting Kinderpostzegels Nederland

Intervention

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

- PTSD symptoms

Secondary outcome

- PTSD related cognitions
- Depressive symptoms
- General behavior problems

Study description

Background summary

The current study is a pilot study on the effectiveness of cognitive behavioral writing therapy on the computer for children with type 1 and type 2 PTSD.

Study objective

The effectiveness of cognitive behavioral writing therapy on the reduction of PTSD and associated symptoms

Study design

- Pretest
- Posttest (directly after treatment)
- Follow-up 6 months

Intervention

Our study has an uncontrolled pre-post-follow-up design (6 months). Just before treatment the pre-test takes place, directly after treatment the post-test and 6 months after the end of treatment the follow-up is conducted. The treatment is cognitive behavioral writing therapy and follows an extensive manual (Lucassen & Van der Oord, 2006). The most important elements of the treatment are psycho-education, exposure, cognitive restructuring, promoting adequte coping, and social sharing. Children write together with the therapist a report of the trauma on the computer during the weekly 1 hour treatment session. Treatment length is variable, thus the therapy ends when a complete detailed written account is made of the traumatic experience.

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Eligibility criteria

Inclusion criteria

- 1. Diagnosis of PTSD
- 2. Age 8-18 years
- 3. Estimated IQ of 80 or above

Exclusion criteria

- 1. Ongoing trauma-related threat
- 2. Unstable home situation
- 3. Other psychiatric problems present that needed more urgent treatment

Study design

Design

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Other

Allocation: Non controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: N/A, unknown

Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting
Start date (anticipated): 01-09-2006

Enrollment: 50

Type: Anticipated

Ethics review

Positive opinion

Date: 07-05-2008

Application type: First submission

Study registrations

Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

In other registers

Register ID

NTR-new NL1265

Register ID

NTR-old NTR1311

Other Stichting Kinderpostzegels : 24924/I/5
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Study results

Summary results

N/A