

Sexual dysfunction and need for help voor sexual problems in patients with mental disorders

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Ethical review	Approved WMO
Status	Recruiting
Health condition type	Sexual dysfunctions, disturbances and gender identity disorders
Study type	Observational non invasive

Summary

ID

NL-OMON55247

Source

ToetsingOnline

Brief title

Sexual dysfunction in patients with mental disorders

Condition

- Sexual dysfunctions, disturbances and gender identity disorders

Synonym

sexual disorders, Sexual problems

Research involving

Human

Sponsors and support

Primary sponsor: Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Onderzoeksgeld van de polikliniek Psychosomatische Gynaecologie en Seksuologie LUMC

Intervention

Keyword: Hulpbehoefte, Mental disorders, Sexual abuse, Sexual dysfunction

Outcome measures

Primary outcome

Self-reported sexual function assessed by validated questionnaires that are completed using a protected online questionnaire software system.

Secondary outcome

Need for help for sexual problems. Relational functioning, psychiatric symptoms, and sexual and physical trauma assessed by validated questionnaires.

Information about the patients diagnosis, the character and duration of the treatment and the medication used, will be derived from the patient files at Rivierduinen.

Study description

Background summary

Despite data indication a high prevalence of sexual problems among victims of sexual abuse, an association of childhood sexual abuse with psychiatric disorders, and an association of psychiatric problems and sexual dysfunction, there seems to be limited attention in mental health care for sexual functioning of patients with psychiatric disorders including post-traumatic stress disorder. Studies indicate however that psychotherapy for sexual trauma related PTSD has positive effects on mental health, but that sexual problems may not be alleviated and ask for specific care. Research on the prevalence of sexual dysfunction in patients treated for psychiatric problems, the association with sexual trauma, and the need for help for sexual problems is however very scarce, while it may help to determine whether more attention for sexual functioning in mental health care may be valuable.

Study objective

To answer the following questions:

- a. Do male and female patients receiving treatment or recently treated for mental problems experience more sexual dysfunction compared to an age-matched control group from the general population?
- b. What is the association of type and magnitude of psychiatric symptoms and sexual abuse experience with sexual dysfunction?
- c. To what extent experience patients a need for help for sexual dysfunction?

Study design

Observational matched cohort study

Study burden and risks

Completion of the online questionnaire will take 40 minutes. There is minimal risks associated with participation; answering questions on sexual function, psychiatric symptoms, and sexual and physical trauma may be experienced as emotionally burdensome.

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Trial sites

Listed location countries

Netherlands

Eligibility criteria

Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

Inclusion criteria

Patients

- Age 18 years or older

- Being a patient registered at the outpatient clinic of GGZ Rivierduinen

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- Currently receiving or having recently (at maximum 6 months ago) completed therapy at the outpatient clinic of GGZ Rivierduinen. Therapy means at least 1 appointment with a health professional at GGZ Rivierduinen.

Controls:

- Age 18 years or older

- Currently not receiving treatment for psychological or psychiatric complaints.

- No recent (less than 18 months ago) treatment for psychological or psychiatric complaints.

Exclusion criteria

A potential subject who meets any of the following criteria will be excluded from participation in this study:

- Known intellectual disability (IQ < 80) (Information derived from the psychiatric file)

Study design

Design

Study type: Observational non invasive

Intervention model: Other

Allocation: Non-randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control:	Active
Primary purpose:	Other

Recruitment

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Recruitment status:	Recruiting
Start date (anticipated):	28-09-2021
Enrollment:	188
Type:	Actual

Ethics review

Approved WMO	
Date:	03-03-2021
Application type:	First submission
Review commission:	METC Leiden-Den Haag-Delft (Leiden)
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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
CCMO	NL74823.058.20