

A QUASI-EXPERIMENTAL STUDY TO ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF COMMUNICATION BOOKLET ON LEVEL OF COMMUNICATION AND SATISFACTION AMONG CAREGIVERS OF CLIENTS WITH ACQUIRED NEUROGENIC COMMUNICATION DISORDERS AT SELECTED HOSPITALS NAGERCOIL

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ABSTRACT

Aim and Objective: To assess the effectiveness of communication booklet on level of communication and satisfaction among caregivers of clients with acquired neurogenic communication disorders.

Methodology: A quasi-experimental pre and post-test control group design was chosen for the study, conducted at Muthu Neuro Centre and Dr. Jeyasekharan Medical Trust, Nagercoil. The samples consisted of 60 caregivers selected using purposive sampling technique. An Interactive session and illustration on the use of communication booklet was the intervention of the study. The pre and post-test level of communication and satisfaction was assessed using checklist and rating scale respectively.

Results: The analysis of the study findings revealed that, with regard to comparison of the post-test level of communication between the experimental and control group, the calculated, unpaired 't' value was 23.028 which revealed high statistical significance at $p < 0.001$. With regard to comparison of the post-test level of satisfaction, the calculated unpaired 't' value of 16.519 revealed high statistical significance at $p < 0.001$ level. The analysis of correlation using Karl Pearson correlation coefficient revealed the calculated 'r' value as 0.501, which showed moderately positive co-relation at $p < 0.05$ level. A significant level of association was identified between satisfaction and age in years in the experimental group and type of family in the control group.

Conclusion: Hence the communication booklet developed by the investigator proved to be an effective aid in enhancing the level of communication and satisfaction among caregivers of clients with acquired neurogenic communication disorders.

KEYWORDS: Level of Communication, Level of Satisfaction, Communication Booklet, Acquired Neurogenic Communication Disorders