

Clinical Trial Protocol

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Comparing the effectiveness of cognitive-behavioral therapy with combined cognitive-behavioral therapy (face-to-face + web-based application) university students' maladaptive perfectionism

Protocol summary

(depression, anxiety and stress), psychological well-being, life satisfaction, procrastination.

Study aim

The purpose of the study is to compare the effectiveness of cognitive-behavioral therapy with combined cognitive-behavioral therapy (in-person+web-based application) on university students' maladaptive perfectionism

Design

Random clinical trial with parallel groups, without blindness, on 46 students with maladaptive perfectionism

Settings and conduct

The location of study, University counseling centers or Public and private psychological and counseling clinics provide psychological services. Students who have Criteria for entering the research will be randomly placed in one of the two groups of cognitive-behavioral or Combined cognitive-behavioral therapy (face to face+web-based app)

Participants/Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria: Includes students of 18 to 35 years old, with maladaptive perfectionism, internet access and smartphones. Exclusion criteria include symptoms of psychosis, autism spectrum disorder, bipolar disorders and other related disorders, addictive and Substance-related disorders, Simultaneous participation in other psychotherapies

Intervention groups

Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy Group: They will receive 10 face-to-face individual therapy sessions, once a week, which will last for 45 minutes. Combined Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy Group (face to face+Web-based application): 1They will receive 10 face-to-face individual therapy sessions, once a week, which will last for 45 minutes. In addition, This group will also receive a self-help training through an application installed on their smartphone.

Main outcome variables

.Maladaptive perfectionism, psychological symptoms

General information

Reason for update

Acronym

IRCT registration information

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Registration date

2024-02-02, 1402/11/13

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Recruitment status

Recruitment complete

Funding source

Expected recruitment start date

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Expected recruitment end date

2023-10-07, 1402/07/15

Actual recruitment start date

empty

Actual recruitment end date

empty

Trial completion date
empty

Scientific title
Comparing the effectiveness of cognitive-behavioral therapy with combined cognitive-behavioral therapy (face-to-face + web-based application) university students' maladaptive perfectionism

Public title
The effect of cognitive-behavioral therapy with combined cognitive-behavioral therapy and self-help (web-based application) on maladaptive perfectionism

Purpose
Education/Guidance

Inclusion/Exclusion criteria
Inclusion criteria:
Having incompatible perfectionism. Being a student. The minimum age is 18 years and the maximum age is 35 years. Access to the Internet and smart mobile phones in the combined treatment group
Exclusion criteria:
Having symptoms of psychosis Autism spectrum disorder
Having bipolar disorder and other related disorders
Addictive and substance-related disorders Simultaneous participation in other psychotherapies

Age
From **18 years** old to **35 years** old

Gender
Both

Phase
N/A

Groups that have been masked
No information

Sample size
Target sample size: **46**

Randomization (investigator's opinion)
N/A

Randomization description

Blinding (investigator's opinion)
Not blinded

Blinding description

Placebo
Not used

Assignment
Parallel

Other design features

Secondary Ids

empty

Ethics committees

1

Ethics committee

Name of ethics committee

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Ethics committee reference number

IR.IUMS.REC.1402.571

Health conditions studied

1

Description of health condition studied

maladaptive perfectionism

ICD-10 code

ICD-10 code description

Primary outcomes

1

Description

Problems of maladaptive perfectionism

Timepoint

Before intervention, Immediately After Intervention, 3 Months after intervention

Method of measurement

Perfectionism Scale

Secondary outcomes

1

Description

Psychological symptoms (Depression, Anxiety, Stress)

Timepoint

Before intervention, Immediately after intervention, 3 Months after intervention

Method of measurement

Depression Anxiety Stress Scale

2

Description

Psychological well-being

Timepoint

Before intervention, Immediately after intervention, 3 Months after intervention

Method of measurement

Psychological well-being scale

3

Description

Life satisfaction

Timepoint

Before intervention, Immediately after intervention, 3

Months after intervention
Method of measurement
Life satisfaction scale

4

Description

procrastination

Timepoint

Before intervention, Immediately after intervention, 3 Months after intervention

Method of measurement

Procrastination scale

5

Description

Adherence to therapy

Timepoint

Immediately after intervention, 3 Months after intervention

Method of measurement

Adherence to therapy Scale

Intervention groups

1

Description

Intervention group: Intervention group: Intervention group: cognitive-behavioral therapy group: a treatment protocol that includes the combination of Beck's cognitive therapy approach and Ellis' logical-emotional therapy will be used for the intervention. In this way, students with maladaptive perfectionism will receive 10 face-to-face individual treatment sessions once a week, which will last for 45 minutes.

Category

Behavior

2

Description

Intervention group: Description of intervention 2: groups of combined cognitive-behavioral therapy: (face-to-face + web-based application): For the intervention, a treatment protocol that includes the combination of Beck's cognitive therapy approach and Ellis' logical-emotional therapy will be used. Thus, students with maladaptive perfectionism will receive 10 face-to-face individual therapy sessions once a week, which will last for 45 minutes. Application: This self-help psychological training program was designed with the inspiration and use of the content of the perfectionism guide and is based on a cognitive-behavioral approach. This program is presented in the form of an application (based on the web) to the company. The multi-dimensional and audio-visual application is designed and adjusted in the form of videos, photos (diagrams) and written content in 10 sessions. In this intervention group, in addition to face-to-face therapy, the participants will use the training of application materials related to each session in the interval between face-to-face therapy sessions.

Category

Behavior

Recruitment centers

1

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Grant name
Grant code / Reference number
Is the source of funding the same sponsor organization/entity?
Yes
Title of funding source
Iran University of Medical Sciences
Proportion provided by this source
100
Public or private sector
Public
Domestic or foreign origin
Domestic
Category of foreign source of funding
empty
Country of origin
Type of organization providing the funding
Academic

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Sharing plan

Deidentified Individual Participant Data Set (IPD)

No - There is not a plan to make this available

Justification/reason for indecision/not sharing IPD

It is possible to misuse individual raw data.

Study Protocol

Undecided - It is not yet known if there will be a plan to make this available

Statistical Analysis Plan

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Informed Consent Form

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Clinical Study Report

Yes - There is a plan to make this available

Analytic Code
No - There is not a plan to make this available

Data Dictionary
Not applicable

Title and more details about the data/document
Results from statistical analysis and reports of clinical outcomes will be available. Also, the informed consent form will be available for the Research Ethics Committee of Iran University of Medical Sciences

When the data will become available and for how long
The beginning of the period of access to the findings is one month after the publication of the data in the form of theses and articles.

To whom data/document is available
All researchers and health policy makers can access

clinical findings and statistical analysis results. The informed consent form will only be available to the Research Ethics Committee of Iran University of Medical Sciences.

Under which criteria data/document could be used
The data will be available for establishing meta-analyses, as well as for developing new protocols and presenting of reports at health-related conferences.

From where data/document is obtainable
Applicants can contact the following email addresses.
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What processes are involved for a request to access data/document
Answering the requests and sending the desired data will be done by email and will take about a month.

Comments