

# TEACHING AND LEARNING EFFECT ANALYSIS OF AN INTERPROFESSIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR UNDERGRADUATE PHARMACY INTERNS

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## Background

Insufficient communication and lack of integration between medical departments leaded to many adverse events.

## Purpose

The purpose of Interprofessional Education (IPE) is to educate students how to enhance their ability toward Interprofessional Practice (IPP) and improve healthcare outcome for patients through the teamwork.

### Material and methods

Clinical teachers and students attended together at least three consensus meetings between medical departments for a patient-based situation such as bisphosphonate-related osteonecrosis of the jaws. The data about teaching and learning effect were collected with a 5-point (threshold based on expert validity as 3) questionnaire between November 2016 and September 2019. The outcome of two-way feedback between clinical teachers and students was evaluated with one-sample t-test by SPSS 23.0.

### Results

38 questionnaires were collected for each patient-based situation. The average score was up to 3 for teachers assessing students and up to 4 for students assessing teachers. The improvement in knowledge and skill with the interprofessional training was found, for example, increase understanding of common morbidities and diseases (4.39  $\pm$  0.59), improve communication skills with other professionals (4.37  $\pm$  0.63), increasing the familiar to the referral process between medical departments (3.24  $\pm$  0.63). The satisfaction of students with the interprofessional training was as follow: appropriately arranged learning content (4.58  $\pm$  0.55), meeting time (4.24  $\pm$  0.68), and instructor qualification (4.66  $\pm$  0.58).

TABLE 1 Patient-based situation involved in the interprofessional training program									
1	Brain stroke	16	Bladder Cancer						
2	Osteomyelitis in diabetic foot	17	Morphine and amphetamine withdrawal						
3	Meningitis	18	Distant metastases in labia cancer						
4	Pneumothorax	19	Pre-operative surgery consultation						
5	Sigmoid Colon Cancer	20	Medication compliance in patients with heart failure						
6	Brain stem hemorrhage	21	Asthma in Children						
7	Liver cancer	22	Prevent Stroke Recurrence						
8	Esophageal cancer	23	Acute ischemic stroke						
9	Recurrent pneumonia in patients using respirators	24	non-diluted dexmedetomidine- induced hypotension						
10	Bisphosphonate-related osteonecrosis of the jaws	25	Preterm delivery in twin pregnancy						
11	Chinese medicine for respiratory infections	26	Necrotizing fasciitis						
12	Excessive ventilation	27	Acute myocardial infarction						
13	Rehabilitation of the first lumbar burst fracture	28	Right humeral shaft fracture						
14	Vinorelbine-induced leukopenia	29	Periodontitis						
15	Pre-eclampsia	30	Male Infertility						

TABLE 3 After you participate in the interprofessional training program, please write down your comments for improvement.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
1.The training you receive can increase your understanding of this interprofessional practice.	<u> </u>	<u>2</u>	<u></u> 3	<u></u> 4	<u></u> 5
2. The training you receive can increase your understanding of common morbidities and diseases.	<u></u> 1	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u></u> 4	<u></u> 5
3. The training you receive can increase your clinical expertise.	<u></u> 1	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u></u> □5
4. The training you receive can enhance your ability to perform on clinical skills.	<u>_</u> 1	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u></u> 5
5. The training you receive can enhance your communication skills with other professions.	_1	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
6. The training you receive can enhance your ability to cooperate and coordinate with other professions.	_1	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
7. You feel that the content of interprofessional education is appropriately arranged.	_1	<u>2</u>	<u></u> 3	<u></u> 4	<u>5</u>
8. You feel that the meeting time of interprofessional education is appropriate.	<u></u> 1	<u>2</u>	_3	<u>_</u> 4	<u>5</u>
9. You feel that the instructor qualification of interprofessional education is excellent.	<u></u> 1	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u></u>

<sup>10.</sup> Please provide specific advices on " interprofessional education " for postgraduate training.

TABLE 2 Please evaluate student performance according to the following items.	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
1. Understand the spirit of participating in the interprofessional training program.	1	<u>2</u>	<u></u> 3	<u></u> 4	<u>5</u>
2. Understand the expert composition of the interprofessional care team and the service they provide.	1	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u></u> 4	<u></u> 5
3. Understand the referral process for the interprofessional care team.	1	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u></u> 4	<u></u> 5
4. Understand and participate in operating the computer system which relevant to the interprofessional care team.	1	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u></u> 4	<u></u> 5
5. Provide suggestions based on your own profession during the interprofessional care teams meeting.	1	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u></u> 4	<u></u> 5
6. Ethics	1	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	□5
7. Overall performance		<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>



FIGURE. Interprofessional Communication

#### Conclusion

Our results indicated that interprofessional training for a patient-based situation had a positive influence on students' ability of collaboration between medical departments.

Several patient-based situations translated to IPE/IPP in our hospital were listed into a book and publication as the reference of teaching materials.