

# Effect of Seamless Nursing for Complications on Cataract Patients

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**Abstract:** Objective: Following to Chinese cataract patients were increased in last 3 years, we evaluated the effect of seamless nursing for complications on cataract patients. Methods: 102 patients diagnosed as cataract from June 2018 to March 2019, the patients were randomly assigned to control group and intervention group, the researchers care the patients by seamless nursing and traditional nursing. We collected the information by different questionnaires which included complications, depression, anxiety and satisfaction of patients. After that, we analyze and compare the result of different groups. Result: in complications status of patient, the intervention group was much lower than that in the control group [5 (9.8%) vs 14 (27.5%)]. Additionally, the improvement had not greater gap in depression and anxiety ( $32.25 \pm 1.02$  vs  $48.52 \pm 3.66$ ,  $32.58 \pm 2.01$  vs  $49.56 \pm 5.84$ ), we use the Self-Rating Anxiety Scale (SAS) and the Self-rating depression scale (SDS) to assess depression and anxiety on the patients. Conclusion: the influence of seamless nursing was better than the effect of traditional nursing, it provide better outcome of cataract treatment for the cataract patients. The seamless nursing improve the higher satisfaction score in the result, it was good for publishing of new nursing methods. But the improvement of seamless nursing was not significant in the result.

**Keywords:** Cataract, Nursing, Seamless Nursing

## 1. Introduction

Following to the He's report, the number of patient with cataract is trended to increase continuously as he aging population and extended life expectancy [1]. Therefore, some public health organization the improvement which were preventable vision loss due to cataract and understanding the modifiable risk factors was important [2, 3]. Additionally, cataract remains the leading cause of blindness in middle-income and low-income countries, so we make this study to improve the effect of cataract treatment surgery through improve the nursing methods after surgery.

Some reports attempt to investigate seamless nursing for complications on cataract patients [4-6]. Despite their report robust results, but their data was difference between both of them. For example, some reports shown that nursing intervention improvement risks of complication by improvement of treatment efficiency [7,8]. Therefore, the

effect of seamless nursing for complications on cataract patients is worth studying.

The aim of this study was to evaluate effect of seamless nursing on cataract patients. The hypothesis of this study was that seamless nursing provide improvement to cataract patients during treatment. The primary outcome of this study was to compared complication rate, anxiety assessment and depression assessment, and satisfaction assessment.

## 2. Methods

### 2.1. Participants Enrollment and Survey Methods

From June 2018 to March 2019, we collected the data from 120 patients with cataract, but we excluded the data of 18 patients as they lack necessary information, so we only collected valid data from 102 patients. In this study, we use randomized controlled trial to assess the effect of seamless nursing for complications on cataract patients. The patients

were randomly assigned to a control group ( $n = 51$ ) and an intervention group ( $n = 51$ ). We provided the traditional nursing care to the patients of the control group [9]. For the intervention group, we added seamless care on the basis of traditional nursing during study. In the treatment process, we collected the complication data of patients; the complications included endothelial edema, intraocular hypertension and hyphema. In addition, the patients would complete Self-Rating Anxiety Scale (SAS) and Self-rating depression scale (SDS); they provided the anxiety information and depression information to our study [10, 11, 12]. Furthermore, the cutoff score of SAS is 50, 50-59 for mild anxiety, 60-69 for moderate anxiety, and 70 or more for severe anxiety. The lower the score shown, more effective the nursing measures as the less anxiety symptoms. In SDS, those below 0.5 were not depressed, 0.5-0.59 was mild to mild depression, 0.6-0.69 was moderate to severe depression, and 0.7 or above was severe depression.

## 2.2. Statistical Analysis

Statistical analysis was performed using SPSS 24.0. We used  $\chi^2$  and t-test to describe the result. Results were considered statistically significant using an alpha level of 0.05. In addition, the continuous variables accord with normal distribution were described by the means with standard deviation (SD).

## 3. Result

We collected complications associated with cataract patients; the complications included endothelial edema, intraocular hypertension and hyphema (Table 1). The number of complications in the intervention group was much lower than that in the control group [5 (9.8%) vs 14 (27.5%)]. There was a significant difference between the two groups.

**Table 1.** Complication of cataract patient.

Projects	Endothelial Edema	Intraocular Hypertension	Hyphema	Percent
Intervention Group ( $n = 51$ )	2	2	1	5 (9.8%)
Control Group ( $n = 51$ )	7	4	3	14 (27.5%)
$\chi^2$	-	-	-	7.16
P value	-	-	-	0.007

As shown in Table 2, SAS and SDS showed that the intervention group which received seamless nursing had better outcome than the control group after the nursing in 3 days. Although the difference of outcome was not significant

( $32.25 \pm 1.02$  vs  $48.52 \pm 3.66$ ,  $32.58 \pm 2.01$  vs  $49.56 \pm 5.84$ ), the statistical results of the outcome were statistically different in both of groups ( $p < 0.005$ ).

**Table 2.** The outcome of SAS and SDS.

Projects	SAS		T	P value	SDS		T	P value
	BN	FN			BN	FN		
Intervention Group ( $n = 51$ )	$62.58 \pm 5.14$	$32.25 \pm 1.02$	40.9267	$< 0.005$	$63.55 \pm 5.41$	$32.58 \pm 2.01$	37.9447	$< 0.005$
Control Group ( $n = 51$ )	$62.59 \pm 5.18$	$48.52 \pm 3.66$	15.6861	$< 0.005$	$63.56 \pm 5.45$	$49.56 \pm 5.84$	12.3930	$< 0.005$
T	0.010	30.280	-	-	0.0092	19.4402	-	-
P value	0.992	$< 0.005$	-	-	0.071	$< 0.005$	-	-

SAS = Self-Rating Anxiety Scale

SDS = Self-rating depression scale

BN = before the nursing intervention

FN = after the nursing intervention in 3 days

We collected the satisfaction of patients by questionnaires after carrying out nursing intervention. In Table 3, the satisfaction of intervention group patients was higher slightly than the satisfaction of control group (92.2% vs 80.4%). Few

patients provided bad assessment in satisfaction (4 out of 51 in intervention group, 10 out of 51 in control group). Compared with control group, intervention group had more very well assessment from patients.

**Table 3.** The satisfaction of patients.

Projects	Very Well	Good	Bad	Percent
Intervention Group ( $n = 51$ )	26	21	4	92.2%
Control Group ( $n = 51$ )	22	19	10	80.4%
$\chi^2$	-	-	-	7.485
P value	-	-	-	0.006

## 4. Discussion

To assess the effect of seamless nursing for cataract

patients, we established a randomized controlled trial. The results indicated that seamless nursing can improve the outcome of cataract treatment in some part, both of the mental health of patient and their complications was

improved after seamless nursing.

As shown in Table 1, the results indicated intervention group had fewer complications compared with control group. As shown in Table 2 and Table 3, better mental health in the patients with seamless nursing than that of the patients with common nursing intervention, and the patients with seamless nursing provided better outcome in satisfaction assessment compared with the patients with common nursing intervention.

Following to the result of our research, the outcomes of cataract treatment were that the patients was improved in both of groups. Although the gap between the effect of two groups was not too different, the seamless nursing had better and effective influence than traditional nursing in result of cataract treatment. Additionally, the seamless nursing make the satisfaction of cataract patients to better, although the proportion between very well level and good level was similar in both of two groups, the overall satisfaction of intervention group was better than the satisfaction of control group.

Several studies in related fields clearly demonstrated that suitable nursing intervention can improve treatment outcome of cataract patient. [13, 14, 15]. Cataracts are the most common eye disease and a major cause of visual impairment and blindness worldwide [16]. For similar, increased cataract patients were received with attention in government as increased old popular [17, 18]. Likewise, we found that the patients who received seamless nursing had better outcome in this study.

In limitation, our subject were patients with cataracts, so it is not known whether our results are application to the other diseases.

## 5. Conclusion

In conclusion, the influence of seamless nursing was better than the effect of traditional nursing, it provide better outcome of cataract treatment for the cataract patients. However, the improvement of seamless nursing was not significant in the result, it may lead to the hospital do like to use seamless nursing in nursing process. Because the seamless nursing would spend more cost than traditional nursing to get less influence. In addition, the seamless nursing improve the higher satisfaction score in the result, it was good for publishing of new nursing methods.

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