

Depression in patients who underwent enucleation or evisceration

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Abstract

Objective: To compare depression score between pre and post enucleation or evisceration. To measure health utility index of patient underwent enucleation or evisceration

Methods: 24 patients who were schedule to have enucleation/evisceration between June 2016 - January 2017 were included. KKKU-DI screening questionnaire and EQ-5D-5L questionnaire were asked to complete at the day before surgery, 1-day post operation, 7 days post operation and 90 days post operation. General estimating equation was used to analysis the mean difference of depression score during each point of time.

Results: Median age is 60 years (Q1-Q3, 53-70), 20 patients (83%) diagnosed severe corneal ulcer. 14(58%) are farmers. Depression was found 58% before surgery, 70%, 62% and 37.5% at 1st, 7th and 90th day post operation. 6 patients (25%) were classified as severe depression at 1st and 7th day post operation. Mean KKKU DI score = 7.58 (SD=5.26) before surgery, 10.17(SD=7.19), 10.27 (SD=8.45) and 7.94 (SD=6.91) at 1st, 7th and 90th day post operation. Mean difference score was 2.58(95%CI=0.43,4.74), 2.61(95%CI=0.38,4.83) and -0.46(95%CI=-2.89,1.96) at 1st, 7th and 90th day post operation. Mean Health Utility index is 0.80 (range 0.30-1.00).

Conclusion: There is strong relationship between depression and timing after operation especially in the first day post operation. However, depression was decrease after 90th days post operation. Severity of depression was also decreased by times. This study raise possibility to help the patients' psychological support.

Introduction

Eye is important organs that affected psychological and mental. Destructive eye surgeries including evisceration and enucleation are necessary for treatment in infection, trauma and tumor. In Thailand there are 1 from 7 people disable from loss of vision in 1996 [1]. Many studies found that they also have a depression. 1 in 3 years Srinagarind hospital has 123 patients with destructive eye surgeries from 2012-2014. Patient without the eyes might have reduction of quality of life. This report aware of the importance of psychological support for these patients and aim to find the incidence of depression and study about their quality of life.

Materials and methods

These studies was approved by Khon Kaen University Ethics Committee in human research [HE591074] during June 2016 - January 2017, 24 patients were schedule to have evisceration and enucleation in Srinagarind hospital, inform consent was obtained from individual patient.

The 3 parts of questionnaire were obtained.

First part, collecting general information and patient sociodemographic characteristic such as ages, sex, occupation, salary, number of family, indication for surgeries.

Second part, KKKUDI questionnaire [Khon Kaen University depression inventory] was obtained during in pre and post operation

day 0, 1st, 7th, and 90th days. The questionnaire contains 14 questions about depression and the point relative to severity of depression, 5-12 points indicate mild depression in men and 6-12 points indicate mild depression in woman, 13-14 points indicate moderate depression and more than or equal 15 points indicate severe depression.

The last questionnaire, EuroQol five dimensional questionnaire [2] was obtained as follow; mobility, daily activities and self-care, psychological function, social and role performance, and pain or other health problem for measuring generic health status pre and post operation day 0 and 90th. The information was kept secret and didn't label the patient's name. Generalized estimating equation was used to analysed mean different of depression score.

Result

Median age is 60 years [Q1-Q3, 53-70], 5 patients [20%] has underlying diabetic mellitus. Mean salary was 6090 bath [0-50,000]. Other demographic data was shown in Table 1. KKKU DI score was shown in Table 2. Mean different of depression score was shown in Table 3. Mean Health Utility index is 0.8 [range 0.3-1.0].

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Table 1. Demographic data

Patient characteristic	Number of patient (%)
Sex	
- female	8(33.33%)
- male	16(66.67%)
Status	
- married	21(87.5%)
- single	3(12.5%)
Occupation	
- agriculture	14(58.33%)
- non agriculture	10(41.67%)
Indication for surgery	
- infection	20(83.33%)
- suprachoroidal haemorrhage	1(4.17%)
- traumatic endophthalmitis	3(12.50%)

Table 2. KKUDI Score: number of patients had depression in 0, 1st, 7th, 90th day post operation.

Number of patient [%] Days after surgery	Mild depression	Moderate depression	Severe depression	Total depression
day 0	9(64.3%)	2(14.3%)	3(21.4%)	14(64.29%)
day 1 st	9(52.9%)	2(11.8%)	6(35.3%)	17(70.00%)
day 7 th	7(46.7%)	2(13.3%)	6(40.0%)	15(62.50%)
day 90 th	4(44.4%)	1(11.1%)	4(44.4%)	9(37.50%)

Table 3. KKKU DI Score: number of patients, mean, SD, mean difference, 95% CI

KKU DI Scores Days after surgery	Number of patient	Mean	SD	Mean difference	95%CI
base line	24	7.58	5.26	0	
day 1 st	24	10.17	7.19	2.58	0.43,4.74
day 7 th	22	10.27	8.45	2.61	0.38,4.83
day 90 th	17	7.94	6.91	-0.46	-2.89,1.96

Discussion

Loss of vision might effects quality of life.

El shafie *et al.* [3] found 53% of patient have depression in 3rd and 6th month after surgery in Egypt, but this study found most depression in 1st and 7th day after surgery so we should realised that the critical time of depression is early in our patients

Juan Ye *et al.* [4] studied in China has prevalence of depression in prosthesis clinic 13.8% while this study found depression in 3rd month of surgery 37.5%, our data suggest to further study to find association that more depression in Srinagarind hospital.

The cause of Evisceration in El shafie *et al.* [3] was from tumor however our study found almost all was from corneal ulcer from agriculture, this should establish a campaign for farmer to realize the important of using goggle while working.

6 patients [25%] were classified into severe depression at 1st and 7th day post operation which is strong relationship between depression and timing after operation especially in first day post operation. However,

depression was decrease after 90 days post operation. Severity of depression was also decrease by times. Our study raise possibility to help the patients' psychological support.

However, health utility was 0.8 means they doesn't affect much in quality of life, as same as Takkaki Kondo *et al.* [5] however one eye has loss of visual field at least 20-30 degree horizontally [5].

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