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A. Attitude Toward Psychiatric Patients Items

Items	Group	Baseline N (%)	Endpoint N (%)	RD^b	P value
ATP-30:		12 (2 2 2)			
27. If we listen to them, psychiatric patients are just as human as other people	Intervention	49 (86.0)	52 (92.9)	67	0.125
as numan as other people	Control	152 (93.3)	144 (93.5)	6.7	1.000
29. Psychiatric patients are often more interesting to	Intervention	27 (47.4)	41 (73.2)		0.000
work with than other patients	Control	76 (46.6)	94 (61.0)	11.4	0.019
AMI:					_
1. Psychiatric patients generally speaking are difficult to like	Intervention	15 (26.3)	7 (12.5)		0.008
	Control	41 (25.2)	34 (22.1)	10.7	0.683
2. The mentally ill should be discouraged from	Intervention	17 (29.8)	5 (8.9)		0.000
marrying	Control	44 (27.0)	23 (14.9)	8.7	0.011
4. Those with a psychiatric history should never be	Intervention	5 (8.8)	0 (0.0)		-
given a job with responsibility	Control	17 (10.4)	14 (9.1)	7.5	1.000
5. Psychiatric diagnoses stigmatize people and should not be used	Intervention	18 (31.6)	12 (21.4)	10.6	0.031
	Control	49 (30.1)	47 (30.5)		1.000
7. Those who attempt suicide leaving them with	Intervention	29 (50.9)	22 (39.3)	7.7	0.016
serious liver damage should not be given transplants	Control	73 (44.8)	63 (40.9)		0.556
10. People who take an overdose are in need of	Intervention	34 (59.6)	45 (80.4)		0.000
compassionate treatment	Control	97 (59.5)	104 (68.2)	12.1	0.142
14. Alcohol abusers have no self-control	Intervention	33 (57.9)	31 (55.4)		0.824
	Control	79 (48.5)	79 (51.3)	5.3	-
16. People who had good parenting as children rarely	Intervention	17 (29.8)	16 (28.6)		1.000
suffer from mental illness	Control	54 (33.1)	72 (46.8)	14.9	-
18. It is preferable that the mentally ill live independently rather than in hospital	Intervention	24 (42.1)	44 (78.6)		0.000
	Control	68 (41.7)	98 (63.6)	14.6	0.000
20. Patients with chronic schizophrenia are incapable	Intervention	27 (47.4)	20 (35.7)		0.016
of looking after themselves	Control	97 (59.5)	108 (70.1)	22.3	_

^a McNemar's test; ^b Risk Difference

B. Attitude Toward Psychiatric Illness Items

Items	Group	Baseline N (%)	Endpoint N (%)	RD^b	P value
ATP-30:					
12. Psychiatric illness deserves at least as much attention as physical illness	Intervention Control	56 (98.2) 155 (95.1)	56 (100) 146 (94.8)	2.1	1.000
18. It is interesting to try to unravel the cause of a	Intervention	56 (98.2)	55 (98.2)		1.000
psychiatric illness	Control	149 (91.4)	147 (95.5)	-4.1	0.189
AMI:					
3. Violence mostly results from mental illness	Intervention	11 (19.3)	10 (17.9)		1.000
	Control	45 (27.6)	40 (26.0)	-0.2	0.788
6. Mental illnesses are wrongly diagnosed in women	Intervention	51 (89.5)	40 (71.4)		0.001
and ethnic minorities	Control	142 (86.5)	117 (76.0)	7.6	0.016
8. Psychiatric drugs are mostly used to control disruptive behavior	Intervention	19 (33.3)	6 (10.7)	17.1	0.000
	Intervention	62 (38.0)	50 (32.5)		0.207
9. ECT should be banned	Control	25 (43.9)	1 (1.8)	3.0	0.000
	Intervention	68 (41.7)	4 (2.6)		0.000
11. Psychiatric drugs do more harm than good	Intervention	14 (24.6)	6 (10.7)		0.008
	Control	56 (34.4)	35 (22.7)	2.2	0.044
12. Depression occurs in people with a weak	Control	8 (14.0)	8 (14.3)		-
personality	Control	20 (12.3)	25 (16.2)	3.6	-
13. Mental illness is the result of adverse social	Intervention	29 (50.9)	24 (42.9)		0.458
circumstances	Control	79 (48.5)	100 (64.9)	24.3	-
15. Mental illnesses are genetic in origin	Intervention	26 (45.6)	44 (78.6)		0.000
	Control	91 (55.8)	102 (66.2)	10.4	0.022
17. Care in the community for the mentally ill puts society at risk	Intervention	3 (5.3)	2 (3.6)		1.000
	Control	22 (13.5)	8 (5.2)	-6.6	0.019
19. Not enough is being done for the care of the	Intervention	12 (21.1)	11 (19.6)		1.000
mentally ill	Control	52 (31.9)	45 (29.2)	-1.2	0.532

^aMcNemar's test; ^bRisk Difference.

C. Attitude Toward Psychiatric Treatment Items

ATP-30 Items:	Group	Baseline N (%)	Endpoint N (%)	RD^b	P value
5. It is quite easy for me to accept the efficacy of	Intervention	35 (61.4)	43 (76.8)		0.004
psychotherapy	Control	87 (53.4)	102 (66.2)	2.8	0.025
14. With the forms of therapy now at hand most	Intervention	23 (40.4)	41 (73.2)		0.000
psychiatric patients improve	Control	61 (37.4)	88 (57.1)	13.0	0.001
16. Psychiatric treatment causes patients to worry too	Intervention	29 (50.9)	19 (33.9)	-0.5	0.002
much about their symptoms	Control	85 (52.1)	54 (35.1)	-0.5	0.004
19. There is very little that psychiatrists can do for	Intervention	18 (31.6)	10 (17.9)		0.008
their patients	Control	46 (28.2)	38 (24.7)	10.2	0.497
25. In recent years psychiatric treatment has become	Intervention	22 (38.6)	34 (60.7)		0.000
quite effective	Control	60 (36.8)	68 (44.2)	14.7	0.169

^aMcNemar's test; ^bRisk Difference

D. Attitude Toward Psychiatric Knowledge Items

ATP-30 Items:	Group	Baseline N (%)	Endpoint N (%)	RD^b	P value
8. The practice of psychotherapy basically is fraudulent	Intervention	7 (12.3)	2 (3.6)	4.0	0.063
since there is no strong evidence that it is effective	Control	42 (25.8)	19 (12.3)	-4.8	0.003
13. Psychiatry has very little scientific information to	Intervention	26 (45.6)	26 (46.4)		-
go on	Control	86 (52.8)	95 (61.7)	8.1	-
24. Psychiatry is so unscientific that even psychiatrists	Intervention	23 (40.4)	13 (23.2)	26.7	0.004
can't agree as to what its basic applied sciences are	Control	65 (39.9)	76 (49.4)	20.7	-
26. Most of the so-called facts in psychiatry are really	Intervention	23 (40.4)	18 (32.1)		0.063
just vague speculations	Control	74 (45.4)	79 (51.3)	14.2	-

^a McNemar's test; ^b Risk Difference

E. Attitude Toward Psychiatry as a Career Choice Items

ATP-30 Items:	Group	Baseline N (%)	Endpoint N (%)	RD^b	P value
1. Psychiatry is unappealing because it makes so	Intervention	22 (38.6)	15 (26.8)	11.6	0.109
little use of medical training	Control	66 (40.5)	62 (40.3)	11.0	1.000
4. I would like to be a psychiatrist	Intervention	10 (17.5)	24 (42.9)		0.000
	Control	12 (7.4)	26 (16.9)	15.9	0.020
11. Psychiatry is a respected branch of medicine	Intervention	41 (71.9)	43 (76.8)	7.4	0.500
	Control	111 (68.1)	101 (65.6)	7.4	-
17. Psychiatrists get less satisfaction from their work	Intervention	18 (31.6)	6 (10.7)	8.6	0.008
than other specialists	Control	56 (34.4)	34 (22.1)	8.0	0.036
21. If I were asked what I considered to be the three most	Intervention	40 (70.2)	24 (42.9)		0.000
exciting medical specialties, psychiatry would be	Control	123 (75.5)	96 (62.3)	14.1	0.018
excluded					
28. The practice of psychiatry allows the development of	Intervention	34 (59.6)	50 (90.3)		0.000
really rewarding relationships with people	Control	108 (66.3)	123 (79.9)	16.1	0.014

^a McNemar's test; ^b Risk Difference

F. Attitude Toward Psychiatric Teaching Items

ATP-30 Items:	Group	Baseline N (%)	Endpoint N (%)	RD^b	P value
9. Psychiatric teaching increases our understanding of medical and surgical patients	Intervention Control	42 (73.7) 119 (73.0)	45 (80.4) 124 (80.5)	-0.8	0.25 0.07
10. Most students report that their psychiatric	Intervention	22 (38.6)	39 (69.6)		0.000
undergraduate training has been valuable	Control	62 (38.0)	98 (63.6)	5.4	0.000
23. These days psychiatry is the most important part	Intervention	7 (12.3)	11 (19.6)		0.063
of the curriculum in medical schools	Control	14 (8.6)	17 (11.0)	4.9	0.557
30. Psychiatry is so amorphous that it cannot really	Intervention	20 (35.1)	6 (10.7)	21.6	0.004
be taught effectively	Control	66 (40.5)	58 (37.7)	21.0	0.609

^a McNemar's test; ^b Risk Difference

G. Attitude Toward Psychiatric Institutions Items

ATP-30 Items:	Group	Baseline	Endpoint	RD^{b}	P
		N (%)	N (%)		value
3. Psychiatric hospitals are little more than prisons	Intervention	15 (26.3)	5 (8.9)	0.1	0.002
	Control	44 (27.0)	15 (9.7)		0.000
20. Psychiatric hospitals have a specific contribution	Intervention	37 (64.9)	50 (89.3)	7.9	0.000
to make to the treatment of the mentally ill	Control	117 (71.8)	136 (88.3)	1.9	0.001

^a McNemar's test; ^b Risk Difference

H. Attitude Toward Psychiatrists Items

ATP-30 Items:	Group	Baseline N (%)	Endpoint N (%)	RD^b	P value
2. Psychiatrists talk a lot but do very little	Intervention	17 (29.8)	9 (16.1)		0.008
	Control	50 (30.7)	44 (28.6)	11.6	0.899
6. On the whole, people taking up psychiatric	Intervention	12 (21.1)	11 (19.6)		1.000
training are running away from participation in real medicine	Control	30 (18.4)	32 (20.8)	3.9	-
7. Psychiatrists seem to talk about nothing but sex	Intervention	10 (17.5)	0 (0.0)	7.2	0.000
	Control	22 (13.5)	5 (3.2)	1.2	0.002
15. Psychiatrists tend to be at least as stable as the	Intervention	29 (50.9)	19 (33.9)		0.002
average doctor	Control	81 (49.7)	67 (43.5)	10.8	0.207
22. At times it is hard to think of psychiatrists as	Intervention	40 (70.2)	36 (64.3)		0.500
equal to other doctors	Control	98 (60.1)	103 (66.9)	12.7	-