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Measurement of patients' satisfaction regarding informed consent in surgical intervention.

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Abstract

Background: Surgical Informed consent is the process by which valuable written data about a surgical procedure is given to the patient or his family. It is a worldwide practice in both developed and developing countries. The present work aimed to detect the satisfaction of patients regarding informed consent in surgical intervention.

Methods: A cross-sectional study was done through a questionnaire to know the patient's perception of informed consent. The operated patients were interviewed after their operation and were asked certain questions by the interviewer to calculate their perception of consent.

Results: The study showed that the average age was 44.87 years and the majority was married (68%), 50.7% had elective surgery while the rest had emergency surgery, the surgical team was known and popular with 46.4% of patients, 40.7% of the operated patients declared a good perception of consent, and they elucidated that education, verbal communication, elective surgery type, the timing of consent concerning the date of operation, and the physician-patient relationship all affect the patient's good perception of consent. Patients also expressed their desire to be informed about the surgery and anesthesia's potential complications, activity levels, and date of return to work.

Conclusion: The study emphasizes the need for better communication and training for physicians regarding informed consent. Overall, the findings underscore the importance of informed consent and highlight areas that require improvement to ensure patients' perceptions of informed consent are positive.

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