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Sexual self-concept of people with motor disorders

The aim of this pilot study is to establish the correlation between the quality of life and the sexual self-concept of persons with motor disorders, as well as the difference between sexual self-esteem of persons with motor disturbances taking into account marital status. Twenty (20) respondents with motor disturbances, chronological age 21-51 (AS=31.9 years) completed two online questionnaires: SF-36 Health Questionnaire and Questionnaire on Sexual and Parentally Self-Disorders of Persons with Motor Injury (PDSBE) (Taleporos and McCabe, 2002). Data were analyzed using descriptive statistics, Spearman correlation coefficient and Mann Whitney U test. There are statistically significant differences between individuals who are single and married on the overall outcome of the PDSB questionnaire ($p=0.041$), and related persons having significantly better sexual and physical self-sufficiency. Also, persons who are in relationship considered themselves more attractive to people of the opposite sex ($p=0.027$). Given the lack of research related to the sexual self-esteem of people with motor disorders in Croatia, further research is needed in this area.

Biography

Renata Pinjatela has completed PhD from University of Zagreb, Faculty of Education and Rehabilitation Sciences. Currently working as an Associate Professor at Department of Motoric Disorders, Chronic Diseases and Art Therapies, University of Zagreb and having reasearch focus on motor disturbances and chronic diseases.

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