

Рис. 3. Мотивы получения высшего сестринского образования

разование не меняет положения медицинской сестры в системе здравоохранения (рис. 3).

Обсуждение. На основе социологического анализа состояния и проблем сестринской практики в ряде субъектов Российской Федерации можно судить о наличии сформировавшихся условий для изменений социально-профессионального статуса медицинских сестер. Более детально могут быть отмечены следующие составляющие:

- 1) современные сестринские технологии;
- 2) информатизация медицины и новые способы работы с медицинской информацией;
- 3) новые организационные формы сестринской практики;
  - 4) новые формы подготовки медицинских сестер.

С другой стороны, проведенное исследование позволило определить барьеры, препятствующие наметившимся преобразованиям в сестринском деле. Так, профессиональное самосознание и низкая профессиональная активность среднего медицинского персонала не способствуют переходу от жесткой традиционной модели сестринской помощи к современной модели ее организации — сестринскому процессу.

Заключение. На основе проведенного исследования можно сделать следующие выводы. Инновационные изменения, происходящие в отечественной системе здравоохранения, нацеленные на улучшение качества оказания медицинской помощи, создают чрезвычайно широкие возможности для трансформации социально-профессионального статуса

медицинской сестры. Социологическая диагностика профессионального положения среднего медицинского персонала позволила выявить совокупность факторов, которые не способствуют его положительной динамике. К факторам субъективного характера следует отнести негативное отношение врачей, стремящихся сохранить за сестринским персоналом роль «ведомого». Наличие низкой самооценки сестринского персонала отражает низкий мотивационный потенциал этой категории работников сферы здравоохранения в части отстаивания собственных профессиональных интересов. Кроме того, низкая социальная и материальная защищенность среднего медицинского персонала существенно тормозит внедрение инновационных преобразований в сестринскую практику и тем самым препятствует повышению социально-профессионального статуса медицинских сестер и, как следствие, делает профессию медицинской сестры малопривлекательной.

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### IMPACT OF INTERSPOUSAL VIOLENCE AND MATERNAL DEPRIVATION ON A CHILD'S MENTAL HEALTH: A CASE REPORT

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# НАСИЛИЕ В СЕМЬЕ И ЛИШЕНИЕ РОДИТЕЛЬСКИХ ПРАВ КАК СУЩЕСТВЕННЫЕ ФАКТОРЫ РИСКА НАРУШЕНИЯ ПСИХИЧЕСКОГО ЗДОРОВЬЯ РЕБЕНКА: ОБЗОР ОТДЕЛЬНОГО СЛУЧАЯ

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This paper presents a case of an emotionally deprived child with some evidence of child neglect resulting from husband-wife violence and subsequent separation of parents. It also further confirms the long recognized fact that the most successful treatment of growth failure and weight loss due to psychosocial deprivation is restoration of a normal social environment. In particular, it highlights the need for a high index of suspicion and awareness on the part of medical personnel with regard to emotional disorders in children.

Key words: Interspousal violence, intimate partner violence, maternal deprivation, child s mental health.

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Данная статья представляет описание отдельного случая. Рассматриваются психические отклонения у ребенка, развивающегося в неблагоприятных семейных условиях, в дальнейшем воспитывающегося без родителей. В работе доказано, что восстановление нормальной социальной обстановки является наиболее верным и действенным способом лечения нарушений в росте и массе тела ребенка. В частности, обосновывается необходимость осведомления медицинского персонала об эмоциональных расстройствах детей.

Ключевые слова: насилие в семье, лишение родительских прав, психическое здоровье ребенка.

Introduction. The World Health Organisation defines violence [1] as: «The intentional use of physical force or power, threatened or actual, against oneself, another person or against a group or community, that either results in or has a high likelihood of resulting in injury, death, psychological harm, maldevelopment or deprivation».

Violence by intimate partners is an important public health issue, occurring in all countries, all cultures and at every social strata [2, 3]. Often, the children in these households witness these episodes of marital violence. For example, in two separate studies, one in Ireland [4] and the other in Mexico [5], 64 and 50% respectively of the abused women reported that their children witnessed the violence. It is estimated that worldwide 3 to 10 million children per year witness intimate partner violence [6]. Witnessing violence is detrimental to children in that it threatens their healthy development by affecting them psychologically and behaviourally [6]. In a review of 48 population-based surveys from around the world, it was reported that 10-69% of women have experienced physical assault at the hands of an intimate male partner at some point in their lives [7].

In adults, reactions to social-situational stresses vary greatly. This is even more so with children. Research reports indicate that children who witness marital violence are at a higher risk for a whole range of emotional and behavioural problems including anxiety, depression, poor school performance, low self-esteem, disobedience, nightmares and physical health complaint [8-10]. The separation of a child's parents has a profound effect on them. As a result of separation of parents, children may present with:

- 1. Behavioural problems such as temper tantrum with destructive behaviour as the child subconsciously blames a parent for the separation.
  - 2. Reduced academic performance.
- 3. Non-organic problems such as abdominal pain, vomiting and headaches.
- 4. Child abuse and neglect following the introduction of an unsuitable partner into the household [11, 12].

The impact of emotional deprivation depends on the age and stage of development of the child, quality of relationship with the absent person, nature (length and completeness) of the separation, experiences during the period of separation and the attitude of parents when child is returned to them [13]. Emotional deprivation may result in listlessness, emaciation, quietness, loss of appetite, general apathy and psychosomatic illness [13]. A high index of suspicious and awareness are required by medical personnel, otherwise the underlying emotional

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basis will be missed and the child evaluated superficially for organic cause of the symptoms.

This paper presents a case seen on 25th October 2008 at St. Philomena Catholic Hospital (SPCH), Benin City, Nigeria which illustrates some of the ill-effects of interspousal violence and maternal deprivation on a Nigerian child's mental health. It also highlights the need for high index of suspicion and awareness on the part of medical personnel with regard to emotional disorders.

Case Report. B. M. is a 5-year old boy who is the elder of two children and who is closely attached to his mother (a 28-year old school-certificate holder and a full-time house wife). He was a bright and cheerful child who was in the custody of his mother following separation of his parents when he was 2 years old. The relationship between his father and mother became strained when his father decided he will marry a second wife. B. M.'s mother did not approve of her husband»s plan. This disagreement resulted in B. M.'s father becoming increasingly aggressive towards his wife. Eventually, it culminated in several episodes of physical abuse of B. M.'s mother, especially each time the would-be second wife visited. Despite this protest by B. M.'s mother, her husband went ahead and married a second wife. B. M.'s mother had to leave the household with her two children and returned to her parents in Lokoja. B. M.'s father, 35-year old university graduate with a lucrative job in a big company refused to provide for the up-keep of his two children. B. M. lived with his mother in Lokoia for 2 years and nine months but when his mother could no longer cope, she brought B. M. to his father in Benin City and left for Lokoja where she then resided. For the first 3 days, B. M. had good appetite and ate voraciously. Thereafter he lost appetite and ate very little and slowly. B. M.'s class teacher reported that he does not play with classmates at school and also refused to write or participate in class activities. At home, B. M. was unusually quiet especially when step-mother was around. Also he does not play with age-mates in the neighbourhood. B. M. not only did not eat his food, he also vomits into it. This was associated with weight loss. B. M.'s stepmother, on the instruction of her husband, sought for medical help. One important feature of this case is that two previous medical consultations have been made in another hospital. The first with a Non-specialist General Medical Practitioner and the second, a month later, with a Consultant Paediatrician. Both doctors made a diagnosis of «Helminthiasis» (step-mother brought the case records with her). The first doctor prescribed albendazole (zentel) while the second prescribed mebendazole (vermox). But these medications did not help as vomiting continued. This prompted them to seek medical help at SPCH, Benin City.

Physical examination revealed a socially withdrawn child with apathy. Oral hygiene was poor with long finger and toe nails. The hair was unkempt and his clothes were dirty. Anthropometry showed weight of 14.5 kg, height of 100 cm, mid-upper-arm circumference of 13 cm. Packed cell volume was 28%. From the history and physical examination, we concluded that this was an emotionally deprived child with some evidence of child neglect. When B.M.'s step-mother was told that the child's symptoms and behaviour were related to the marital discord in the household, separation and maternal deprivation and that the child needs love, she said she has no time to pet B. M. and that he was merely wicked. The child»s father was invited and the problem explained to him. He promised to reconcile with B. M.'s mother and bring her back into the household especially since his second wife has not been able to achieve pregnancy despite unprotected sexual intercourse for 3 years. B. M.'s mother has since re-united with her husband. They are all currently living in harmony, in the same household. At the time of this report, B. M. looks bright, cheerful, writes and participates in class activity. He no longer vomits. His appetite is good and his weight has risen to 15.8 kg. His personal hygiene has improved considerably

**Discussion**. This case is reported because it illustrates some aspects of the impact of intimate partner violence, marital discord, separation and maternal deprivation on the mental health of a child. It also serves to remind physicians of the need to consider emotional problems when evaluating a child presenting with unexplained persistent vomiting, apathy, social withdrawal and behavioural problems.

A child»s relationship with the mother is by far the most important relationship a child could ever have in the first 5 years of life [13]. Maternal deprivation at this stage of life without a suitable mother substitute may spell a disaster in social and emotional development for the child. In the index case, the child was forcefully taken back to his father and abandoned by his mother. This child was closely attached to his mother before the temporary separation. Under-fives, because they are still immature in mind and body may not be able to cope with disturbances of inner life resulting from separation from their parents, particularly their mother. Absence of a suitable mother substitute as exemplified by the attitude of B. M.'s step-mother who claimed she has no time to pet B. M. because she believes that B. M. was merely wicked amounted to social and emotional deprivation. Thus, B. M.'s unfavourable experience during the period of separation from his mother further depressed him since his step-mother who should have played the role of a mother substitute was insensitive and unresponsive to his predicament. This chain of events probably resulted in depression which manifested as apathy, social withdrawal and poor appetite in this patient. The anti-social behaviour of vomiting into his food was probably an attention-seeking strategy. Unhappiness portends danger for a child»s personal and social adjustments. There are three essentials of happiness namely: acceptance, affection and achievement and are referred to as the «three As» [14]. All three must be present for happiness to blossom [14]. It is also known that in social development, negativism begins in the second year and reaches its peak between the age of 3-6 years [13]. B. M.'s predicament started from the age of 2 years and lasted till age of 5 years. At present medical help is not commonly sought in cases of anti-social behaviour or aggressive behaviour simply because the layman does not consider these paediatric medical problems. Even if some of the children with psychiatric disorders are brought to the doctor, only a few will receive the services of a trained child psychiatrist since they are scarce in developing countries, including Nigeria.

One lesson to be learnt, as doctors, from this case is that a child presenting with vomiting, poor appetite, social withdrawal and apathy should be evaluated for emotional disorder. This child was evaluated for vomiting on two different occasions by two different doctors, a Non-specialist General Medical Practitioner and a month later, by a Consultant Paediatrician, both of whom made a diagnosis of «Helminthiasis» and prescribed antihelminthics which did not help. It will, therefore, be necessary in future manpower development planning to lay more emphasis on child psychiatry as a discipline because childhood psychiatric problems are likely to increase in number as our society becomes sophisticated. A short-term solution is to ensure that Paediatric Residents Doctors spend a few months in child psychiatric unit during their training.

The poor oral hygiene, over-grown finger and toe nails, unkempt hair and dirty clothes are subtle evidences of child neglect [14]. This suggests that child neglect goes on in many families especially with the introduction into the household a step-mother (or step-father) following family crisis and marital discord. Unfortunately, it is difficult to estimate the global dimension of the problem of child neglect or meaningfully compare its rates between countries or communities because definitions vary and laws on reporting abuse, where they exist, do not always require the mandatory reporting of neglect [2].

The parental reconciliation and subsequent return of B. M.'s mother into the household restored a normal social environment for the child, leading to increase in weight from 14.5 kg to I5.8 kg at the time of writing this report. This is in keeping with the long recognized fact that the most successful treatment of growth failure and weight loss due to psychosocial deprivation is restoration of a normal social environment [15].

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#### ОЦЕНКА РАСПРОСТРАНЕННОСТИ И СТАТУСА ТАБАКОКУРЕНИЯ СРЕДИ СТУДЕНТОВ СТАРШИХ КУРСОВ МЕДИКО-ПРОФИЛАКТИЧЕСКОГО И ЛЕЧЕБНОГО ФАКУЛЬТЕТОВ САМГМУ

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## ASSESSMENT OF SMOKING PREVALENCE AND STATUS AMONG STUDENTS OF SENIOR COURSES OF MEDICO-PROPHYLACTIC AND THERAPEUTIC FACULTIES OF SAMARA STATE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY

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*Целью* работы явилась оценка распространенности и статуса табакокурения среди студентов медицинского университета для последующей разработки рекомендаций по отказу от табакокурения и пропаганды здорового образа жизни. *Материал и методы.* Обследованы 58 студентов старших курсов, из которых 18 мужчин и 40 женщин. Проведены скрининг-опрос, спирометрия, тест Фагерстрема, оценка мотивации для отказа от курения по специальным анкетам, а также оценка мотивации курения; воспроизводился тест для выявления хронического бронхита. *Результаты и выводы.* Общая распространенность табакокурения, так же как и половозрастная характеристика распространенности, выше среди обследованных студентов лечебного факультета. Наиболее продолжительный стаж курения выявлен у студентов МПФ, а наибольшая интенсивность — у студенток ЛФ. Никотиновая зависимость во всех группах характеризовалась как «очень слабая» и была наивысшей у мужчин в целом и у мужчин-студентов МПФ в частности. В то же время выявлена неготовность студентов (отсутствие мотивации) к отказу от курения.

Ключевые слова: табакокурение, зависимость, мотивация, хронический бронхит.

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The article provides data on prevalence and smoking status assessment among students of senior courses of medical university. The purpose of the study was to evaluate smoking prevalence and status in students of medical university in order to develop recommendations on healthy life style promotion. 58 senior students, 18 men and 40 women, were under study. Screening survey, spirometry, Fagerstrem test, questionnaires on motivation to stop smoking and test to reveal chronic bronchitis were held. Smoking was highly spread among the students of therapeutic faculty. The longest period of smoking was detected among male students of medico-prophylactic, and the highest intensity was and the highest degree was marked among men of medico-prophylactic faculty in particularly. Unwillingness of students (lack of motivation) to stop smoking was determined.

Key words: smoking prevalence, smoking status, addiction, motivation, chronic bronchitis.

Введение. Табакокурение — одна из наиболее значимых проблем современного здравоохранения. В результате хронического воздействия табакокурения формируется неуклонно прогрессирующая бронхиальная обструкция, ведущая к формированию хронической обструктивной болезни лёгких (ХОБЛ) [1—4]. В мире в среднем каждые шесть секунд умирает один человек от заболеваний, связанных с курением табака, а ежегодно по этой причине умирают пять миллионов человек. «Если тенденции нарастания

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распространённости курения не будут снижаться, то, по прогнозам, к 2020 г. ежегодно преждевременно будут умирать 10 млн. человек, а к 2030 г. курение табака станет одним из самых главных факторов, приводящих к преждевременной смерти», в том числе от рака легких [1, 3, 5]. Частота табакокурения в России одна из самых высоких в мире. По данным ВОЗ, в России курящие мужчины составляют около 60%, а женщины свыше 15%. Особую тревогу вызывает тенденция роста числа курящих среди молодых людей и подростков [1–3]. Для мировой врачебной общественности очевидно, что относительно такой массовой проблемы, как табакокурение среди молодежи,