SUICIDE ATTEMPT PREDICTION IN A CONTROLLED STUDY OF CASE MANAGEMENT IN THE PREVENTION OF RECURRENT SUICIDAL BEHAVIOUR

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Introduction: Information about the perception of suicide attempters regarding prevention of their suicide attempt may be helpful in implementing preventive strategies.

Aim: To examine:

(i) sociodemographic profile,

(ii) distribution of the Suicide Intent Scale, and

(iii) differences according to the gender in the sample of participants in a controlled study to determine the effectiveness of case management programme in the prevention of recurrent suicidal behaviour.

Method: 106 suicide attempters who attended the Emergency Room of the Hospital of Asturias from July- 2011 to October-2012 were included in the study [33% males; mean age (SD)= 41.82 (13.16)]. Instruments: Ad hoc Sociodemographic-Questionnaire; Suicide Intent Scale (SIS); SAD-PERSON Scale; Medical Damage Scale; List of Threatening Experiences; Hamilton Depression Rating Scale.

Results: *Profile:* 45-54 years old (30.4%), married (34%), with bachelor's degree (42.5%), unemployed (29.2%), with children (61.3%) and living with partner (34.9%). 36.2% of the sample had the intention to repeat at the time of the suicide attempt (SA), while 22.6% actually repeated it. The intention to repeat the SA was associated with the commission of SA at 12-months follow-up (p=.002). *SIS data:* mean total score (SD)=15.99(4.71); mean objective score (SD)=5.69(2.48); mean subjective score (SD)=10.28(3.29). Significant differences in SIS scores were found by gender (p=.007), men scoring higher. Repetition of the SA was related with higher scores (p=.002).

Conclusions: SA severity and its repetition at 12-months follow-up was related with the intention of repetition; nevertheless we didn't find relation between the SA severity and the repetition of SA one year later.