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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Sleep Health amongst Patients Attending Adult Neurology Clinic in Abakaliki Nigeria

Santé du Sommeil chez les Patients Fréquentant la Clinique de Neurologie pour Adultes à Abakaliki, Nigéria

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ABSTRACT

BACKGROUND: Sleep health indicates how well an individual or population sleeps. Good sleep health is characterized by subjective satisfaction, sustained alertness during waking hours, appropriate timing, high efficiency, and adequate duration. Poor sleep health is associated with many short-term and long-term health consequences. There are limited data on the pattern of sleep health in Nigeria. Against this backdrop, we embarked on this study to determine the Pattern of Sleep Health among patients attending the Adult Neurology clinic in a Federal Teaching Hospital, in Abakaliki, Nigeria.

METHODS: This is a cross-sectional observational hospital-based study undertaken at the Adult Neurology clinic of the Alex Ekwueme Federal University Teaching Hospital Abakaliki, Nigeria from July to September 2022.

RESULTS: Out of the 267 patients recruited for the study, 19% had good sleep health with SATED scores of 8 to 10 while 81% had poor sleep health. The absence of alcohol abuse, cigarette smoking, and neurological diagnosis were statistically associated with poor sleep health with no sex and age predilection. The mean sleep duration was 7.5 ± 1.5 hours (male = 7.6 hours, female = 7.3 hours, 18- 64 years= 7.4 hours, ≥ 65 years = 7.9 hours). Timing of sleep (mean= 0.97) was the least rated while sleep satisfaction (mean= 1.54) was the best-rated sleep dimension.

CONCLUSION: Sleep health is very poor amongst patients attending the adult Neurology clinic at Abakaliki Nigeria and it is associated with smoking, absence of alcohol abuse, and neurological diagnosis.

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Keywords- Sleep health, Neurology Clinic, Abakaliki, Nigeria

RÉSUMÉ

CONTEXTE: La santé du sommeil indique à quel point un individu ou une population dort. Une bonne santé du sommeil se caractérise par une satisfaction subjective, une vigilance soutenue pendant les heures d'éveil, un timing approprié, une efficacité élevée et une durée adéquate. Une mauvaise santé du sommeil est associée à de nombreuses conséquences sanitaires à court et à long terme. Il existe des données limitées sur le schéma de santé du sommeil au Nigéria. Dans ce contexte, nous avons entrepris cette étude pour déterminer le schéma de santé du sommeil parmi les patients fréquentant la clinique de neurologie pour adultes dans un hôpital d'enseignement fédéral à Abakaliki, Nigeria.

MÉTHODES: Il s'agissait d'une étude observationnelle transversale réalisée à la clinique de neurologie pour adultes de l'hôpital universitaire fédéral Alex Ekwueme à Abakaliki, Nigéria, de juillet à septembre 2022.

RÉSULTATS: Sur les 267 patients recrutés pour l'étude, 19 % avaient une bonne santé du sommeil avec des scores SATED de 8 à 10, tandis que 81 % avaient une mauvaise santé du sommeil. L'absence d'abus d'alcool, de tabagisme et de diagnostic neurologique était statistiquement associée à une mauvaise santé du sommeil, sans préférence pour le sexe et l'âge. La durée moyenne du sommeil était de $7,5 \pm 1,5$ heures (homme = 7,6 heures, femme = 7,3 heures, 18-64 ans = 7,4 heures, ≥ 65 ans = 7,9 heures). Le timing du sommeil (moyenne = 0,97) était la dimension la moins bien notée, tandis que la satisfaction du sommeil (moyenne = 1,54) était la dimension la mieux notée.

CONCLUSION: La santé du sommeil est très mauvaise chez les patients fréquentant la clinique de neurologie pour adultes à Abakaliki, au Nigéria, et elle est associée au tabagisme, à l'absence d'abus d'alcool et au diagnostic neurologique. WAJM 2023; 40(11) : 1192 - 1198

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