



WHAT IS IT LIKE TO LIVE WITH HAEMODIALYSIS FOR 30 YEARS? A CASE REPORT

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Introduction

The cumulative survival time in dialysis patients is increasing.

- modern technology
- improved treatment processes
- higher standard of the dialysis treatment

The aim of this presentation is to introduce interesting case of a patient who is undergoing dialysis treatment over 30years.

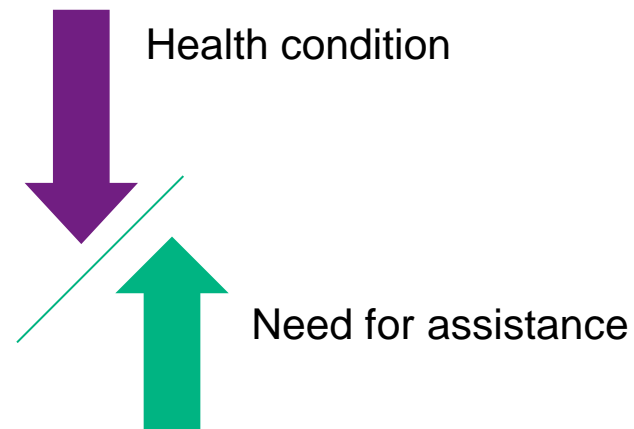
Case report

A female patient born in 1966 was included in the dialysis programme at the age of 19.

Change in perception of health and quality of life – reassessed her priorities.

Developed complications related to the long-term dialysis treatment - significant impact on her overall

- psychological condition
- self-esteem
- family relationships
- patient's role in the society



Increased demands of the patient for nursing care and psychological support from the personnel of the dialysis centre - frequent interventions by the Social Care Coordinator

Conclusion

Due to progressive nature of the disease, the general condition of the patient is deteriorating both psychologically and physically

Priority of the nursing personnel

- to alleviate the patient's health problems
- change her perception of the current condition
- maintain at least the current quality of life
- to encourage her to cooperate

Increasing numbers of patients are undergoing long-term dialysis therapy and we need to be prepared for it and „sharing- expertise“.

"The sick body needs a doctor; the sick soul needs a friend."

Menandros



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