

CONGENITAL BLADDER EXTROPHY'S EFFECTS ON INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR PARENTS

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Abstract

Bladder extrophy is a developmental fault of bladder and abdominal Wall. After the birth, in bladder extrophy a range of operations are applied following the diagnosis. Since the treatment process is long, the psychological effects of the illness on individuals and families are massive. This study covers the period of 2012-2015. In this study, it has been aimed to make a research, solve the possible problems, raise support and motivation on illness' psychological, sociological, socio-economic and most importantly, the effects of individual's educational lives. The questionnaire form to detect the conduct of life and problems of individuals with bladder extrophy and their parents has been applied to 5-25 year-old individuals and their families in various cities. In conclusion, it has been seen that the individuals feel dependent and helpless, overreact to normal situations, become nervous at school, have sleep disorder and think that their illness will prevent them from marrying and threat their ideals. Individuals' communication to each other and guidance according to their field of interest have been provided and they have been supported to join the activities of music, art and sport. In the course of the illness, the support which is given in the process from fragility to standing alone against the difficulties is very important.

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