Students feedback A tool for assessment of teaching learning method of faculty in medical college

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Abstract: Context: Effective feedback has long been recognized as one of the main catalysts for effective learning. Feedback is an interactive process which aims to provide learners with insight into their performance. When giving feedback information should include opinion and judgement about current performance and explore options for improved practice. Aims: 1)To take the students feedback about the teaching skills of the teacher. 2) to study the improvement in skills after incorporating the teaching techniques of the medical education. Settings and Design: This is an interventional study design, this study is conducted in the dept. of community medicine at smt. Kashibai Navale medical college Pune. Methods and Material: students of(7 th semester) third year MBBS students. Study tool: predesigned questionnaire for students assessment of faculty performance is used. A questionnaire including 25 objective type questions was prepared on the basis of teaching skills. The options provided for each question with their scores was; YES (1), NO (0). Firstly, the questionnaire was explained to the students and teachers and their queries were answered. Written consent to participate was taken. Statistical analysis used: data of this was filled in MS excel sheet and total score was counted for each questions as well as each student for both the lectures then data analysis was done using primer of statistics, mean score and percentages were calculated and students ‘t’ test was applied as a test of significance. Results: Total score for routine lecture given by student is ranges between 10-29 with the mean score of 20.33 for routine lecture, and total score for modified lecture as per teaching learning methodology is ranging between 19-31 with the mean score is about 25.42 with standard deviation of 4.81 and 3.02 for routine and modified lecture respectively. Students ‘t’ test was applied to the mean score and was found statistically significant. t=-5.119 and p=0.001
Conclusions: This study concludes that students feedback is easy and effective tool to assess the teachers teaching skills so it should be routinely taken by the teacher as formative assessment of teacher

Keywords: students, feedback, teaching –learning method

I. Introduction

In India The National Policy on Education (NPE) of 1986 and its programme of action evolved a series of strategic plans to focus on quality of higher education. For improvement of quality of undergraduate teaching, it should be monitored and assessed regularly. The vision 2030 policy document for higher education says Develop content, pedagogy, and assessment systems that support experiential, interactive, and student-centered learning. Adopt a learner-centered paradigm of education. Peer review is evaluation, by colleagues or peers, of all teaching-related activities for either formative (for development) or summative (for personnel decision) purposes. Because there are different purposes for each type of evaluation, the processes may be conducted independently of each other. Components of either type of review may include course materials, student evaluations, teaching portfolios, documentation of teaching philosophy, teacher self-assessments, classroom observations, and other activities that may be appropriate to a discipline.

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Total 36 and 32 students were present for the routine and modified lecture respectively . Total score for routine lecture given by student is ranges between 10-29 with the mean score of 20.33 for routine lecture , and total score for modified lecture as per teaching learning methodology is ranging between 19-31 with the mean score is about 25. 42 with standard deviation of 4.81 and 3.02 for routine and modified lecture respectively . Students ‘T’ test was applied to the mean score and was found statistically significant .t=5.119 and p=0.001

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It is seen from above table that low total score was there by max students for routine lecture while maximum i.e 31(97\%) students given score more than 20 for the modified lecture .When asked about the general impression of the students about the lecture (61\%) given score 1 for routine lecture and for the modified one maximum(56.25\%) given score 2.

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Graph 1:
Total Score for each questions given by all the students was calculated for routine and modified lecture and it is noted that total scores for each question has also increased in the modified lecture. Unpaired ‘T’ test was applied as a test of significance and increase in the score was noted as significant as p =0.003, calculated t value is -3.298, d.f 24.

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II. Discussion

This study undertaken at community medicine dept of Smt. Kashibai Navale Medical College shows Total score for routine lecture given by student is ranges between 10-29 with the mean score of 20.33 points for routine lecture, and total score for modified lecture as per teaching learning methodology is ranging between 19-31 with the mean score is about 25.42, so it is noted that scores for teaching skills definitely increased after the incorporation of the techniques of teaching. It is also noted that of overall impression of the student about the lecture session for the routine lecture maximum students given score 1 and 2 students given as 0 but in the modified lecture none of the student given score 0 while maximum 18 students given score as 2. Similar study done by Pawan K Mahato1 Department of Anatomy, SGT Medical College, Haryana shows In the present study, the scores achieved by the Tutors (58.5%) were lower than assistant professors (74.9%) in all teaching skills studied but they have not scores after modification so can not compare the score after modification. It is also seen that the score given to each question in routine lecture shows improvement in the modified lecture except few question were score is same it may be because students were not able to judge the teacher on that point.

III. Conclusion

This study concludes that students feedback is easy and effective tool to assess the teachers teaching skills so it should be routinely taken by the teacher as formative assessment of teacher. Taking the lecture session as per higher education technologies will definitely improves the teaching skills as well the general impression of the students about the teaching session, so lastly study concludes that taking feedbacks and doing modification is a must for the teacher.

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