

Pelvic floor muscle training effect on urinary incontinence knowledge, attitudes, and severity: An experimental study

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Abstract

This study of Taiwanese women investigated effects of pelvic floor muscle training (PFMT) on urinary incontinence (UI) severity and on participants' knowledge and attitudes regarding UI and PFMT. Of 114 participants in a 4-h PFMT program, 55 suffering from UI completed 2 questionnaires, 1 before and 1 after the program. Among them, 78% reported experiencing UI under increased abdominal pressure, and 82% had suffered the condition for more than 1 year. Participants achieved reductions in UI severity after PFMT; and the program produced a significant difference in their knowledge about, though not in their attitudes toward, both UI and PFMT.