PRODUCTIVITY IMPAIRMENT AMONG PEOPLE WITH MS AND URINARY SYMPTOMS

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BACKGROUND

- Many studies have shown that multiple sclerosis (MS) impacts patients both physically and psychologically.
- Symptoms such as urinary incontinence and urge symptoms are common in people with MS and significantly impair quality of life.

OBJECTIVE

- The objective of this study is to assess productivity impairment in people with urinary symptoms (US). The study also evaluated the effect of urinary symptoms on work productivity and to determine if the severity of urinary symptoms is associated with productivity impairment.

METHODS

- A cross-sectional survey was conducted among people with MS and urinary symptoms to assess their work productivity and health-related quality of life (HRQoL).
- The survey included questions about work productivity, self-rated health, and HRQoL measures.

RESULTS

- A total of 102 people participated in the study. 70% were female, and the average age was 42.5 years.
- 90% of the participants were employed.
- The majority of participants (n = 91; 89%) reported experiencing urinary symptoms such as urinary incontinence.
- The severity of urinary symptoms was assessed using the International Consultative Committee on Incontinence (ICCI) questionnaire.
- Work productivity impairment was assessed using the Work Productivity and Activity Impairment (WPAI) questionnaire.
- The results showed that 90% of the participants had impaired work productivity.

CONCLUSION

- Urinary symptoms have a significant impact on work productivity and quality of life in people with MS.
- Early intervention and management of urinary symptoms could improve work productivity and quality of life in people with MS.

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