## **REVIEW**

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# **Educational Interventions for Cervical Cancer Screening Behavior of Women: A Systematic Review**

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### Abstract

**Background:** Cervical cancer is the second most common cancer in women worldwide; early detection can play a key role in reducing the associated morbidity. The objective of this study was to systematically assess the effects of educational interventions on cervical cancer screening (CCS) behavior of women. **Methods:** In this review the Cochrane library, Web of Science, Science Direct, PubMed, Scopus and search engine of Google scholar were searched for all interventional studies (trails, pre- and post-test or quasi-experimental) published in 2000-2017 for a systematic review, The search was based on the following keywords: cervix cancer, uterine cervical neoplasms, screening, prevention and control, Papanicolaou Test, pap test, pap smear, education, intervention, systematic review. Due to the heterogeneity of the data, a qualitative analysis was performed. Results: Thirty seven articles with 15,658 female participants in different parts of world were included in the review. About three quarters of the articles covered behavior change interventions. About one fourth of the articles were based on health education methods. The heath belief model is the most popular used framework for cervical cancer screening interventions. The results of our study showed that different health education methods (such as calls, mailed postcards, mother/daughter education, consultation sessions, picture books, videos, PowerPoint slides, small group discussions, educational brochures, radio broadcast education, lecture presentations, tailored counseling and a fact sheet, Self-learning package, face-to- face interviews and etc) are effective in modifying cervical cancer screening behavior of women. Conclusions: Our results showed that the different interventions and health behavior change frameworks provide an effective base for cervical cancer prevention. Heath providers can chose educational methods based on the particular client situations.

**Keywords:** Cervical cancer- screening- systematic review- prevention- Pap test- cervical neoplasm

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## Introduction

Cervical Cancer is one of the most common malignancies in women (Nwankwo et al., 2011). It is estimated that in all over the worldwide about 1.4 million women are living with Cervical cancer (second most after the breast cancer), the cervical cancer is the second most common cancer in women worldwide, also it is the leading cause of cancer death in some developing countries (Organization, 2015).

Screening can reduce both the mortality and incidence of cervical cancer (Mishra et al., 2011). The World Health Organization knows cervical cancer as a preventable disease in women (Bleggi et al., 2003). The treatment of cervical cancer is less effective because the sign and symptom of this cancer does not appear until the advance stages. The cause of cervical cancer is the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) (Group, 1995). The epidemiologic

risk factors of this cancer are onset of coitus in young ages, history of sexually transmitted disease, larger number of sexual partners, use of contraceptive methods, history of smoking, parity and chronic immunosuppression (Partridge et al., 2014). Now in the developed countries CCS is carried out by cytological examination of a the Pap test (Hanaa, 2014; Koliopoulos et al., 2010). Women's decisions regarding CCS are affected by many factors including: sociocultural factors (Johnsonet al., 2008), cancer awareness (Austoker et al., 2009), knowledge (Nwankwo et al., 2011), attitudes (Reis et al., 2012) and women's beliefs (Esin et al., 2011), lack of encouragement (Fernández-Esquer and Cardenas-Turanzas, 2004), providers' attitudes (McFarland, 2003), recommendation from health professionals (Chan et al., 2016) and etc.

The world health education mentioned that "Health education is an exchange of information with the purpose of increasing awareness and knowledge about how to keep

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healthy and prevent diseases (such as cervical cancer), including information about resources that are available and the benefits of accessing services" (Health, Diseases, and Promotion, 2006). Evidence showed that Education by raising awareness, improving accessibility to services , increasing individuals' efficacy and empowering over future choices can enhance the demand for preventative health services (Sabates and Feinstein, 2006).

Systematic reviews aimed to generate new knowledge and provide a rigorously reviewed summary of relevant literature on a specific question and synthesize the results of these literature (Wallace et al., 2014), because of the importance of the CCS, and lack of overall articles on effectiveness of educational interventions in this issue, this study was carried out to systematically assess the effect of Educational Interventions to improve cervical cancer screening (CCS) behavior of women.

#### **Materials and Methods**

Search Strategy

This study is a systematic review conducted to determine the effect of educational interventions on CCS behavior of women, in this study we assess all published articles (Trails, pre- and post-test design or quasi-experimental) from July 2000 to May 2017 in English language. We searched from Cochrane library, Web of Science, Science Direct, PubMed, Scopus and search engine of Google scholar. The search was based on the following search terms: cervix cancer, Uterine Cervical Neoplasms, screening, prevention and control, Papanicolaou test, Pap test, Pap smear, education, intervention, systematic review.

Criteria for considering studies for this review Selection of studies

Two authors reviewed the eligibility of interventional design studies and also evaluated the risk of bias and the data for included articles such as information on the study population, country of origin, the number of participants in each group, study design, aim, measurement tools, the type of educational intervention, and adverse effect of each intervention and main results of study was extracted.

Types of Participants

All educational intervention studies (Trails, pre- and post-test or quasi-experimental) with inclusion criteria of women without a previous cervix cancer diagnosis.

*Types of Interventions* 

All intervention studies (Trails, pre and post-test or quasi-experimental) involving educational intervention versus usual care or versus without educational intervention.

Types of Comparator/control

No intervention or usual care.

Types of Outcome measures

Educational interventions based on different health models adverse outcomes related to false positive findings

of symptoms (such as decreased quality of life/ increased anxiety and any of the adverse outcomes) assessed by any validated scale.

Risk of Bias

The EPHPP is a generic tool used to evaluate a variety of intervention study designs. This tool assesses six domains: selection bias, study design, confounders, blinding, data collection method and withdrawals/ dropouts. According Guidelines for this tool each domain is rated as weak (1 point), moderate (2 points) and strong (3 points) and domain scores are averaged to provide the total score. The maximum total score per study is 3.00. Based on their total score, quality of studies is rated as weak (1.00–1.50), moderate (1.51–2.50) or strong (2.51–3.00) (Armijo-Olivo et al., 2012; Deeks et al., 2003; Thomas et al., 2004). Search in databases was performed by two researchers; the abstracts were first assessed and then some articles underwent final assessment according to EPHPP and inclusion criteria (including published from 2000 through May 2017 included an intervention based) and Exclusion criteria (Full-text not accessible, Studies not demonstrating a clear research methodology).

Data analysis

In this review due to the heterogeneity of the data, qualitative analysis was used.

#### **Results**

In this review study thirty seven articles with 15658 female participants included. 38.8 % of studies were from Asia, 13.8% from Europe, 33.3% from Americas and 13.8% from Africa. Table 1 showed the Characteristics of included studies.

Figure 1 showed the Flowchart of articles selection. About three forth of articles are based on behavior change interventions. twelve article utilized a HBM base and, 1 article used HBM and TTM bases, 1 used HBM and TPB, 1 used Preceed, Proced model bases, 3 used TTM, 2 SCT, 2 used PMT (1). About one fourth of articles are based on Health education methods without framework theory based. The result of our study showed that different Health education methods (such as calls, mailed postcards, mother/daughter education. Consultation sessions, video, PowerPoint slide, small group discussion, educational brochure, radio broadcasts education, lecture presentations, tailored counseling and a fact sheet, Self-learning package, face-to-face interviews and ...) are effective in CCS behavior of women. Table1 showed the characteristics of Health belief model and Trans theoretical Model based studies. Table2 showed the characteristics of included studies based on Protection Motivation Theory, PRECEDE-PROCEED MODEL. Table 3 showed the characteristics of included studies based on Health education methods without framework theory based.

Behavior change based interventions Health belief model (HBM)

Kocaöz et al., (2017) and Champion et al., (2006) in

Table 1. Characteristics of Health Belief Model and Trans Theoretical Model and Theory of Reasoned Action based Studies

study	Design/sample/ model	location	Intervention	Outcome	quality rating EPHPP	model
Kocaöz et al (2017) (Champion et al., 2006)	semi- experimental n=342	Turkey	20 min theoretical and practical education about cervix cancer	In this study in the 6 months after the education 33.6% of women had a pap smear test and there were significantly increasing in pap smear benefits motivation subscale and significantly decreasing in pap smear barriers subscale.	Moderate	
Shobeiri et al, (2016)(Shobeiri et al., 2016)	Quasi- Experimental N=330	Iran	The intervention included two 45- 60 minutes consultation sessions in the form of consulting. The control group did not receive any training	There was significant increase in all variables of HBM and mean score of knowledge in intervention group (P<0.001).	Moderate	
Daryani et al,(2015)	quasi- experimental	Iran	Intervention group received education sessions for 1.5 hours was held in practical displays, films, lectures and questions & answers	The result showed that there was significantly difference in women's practice and in between two groups (p<0.05). Also in the intervention group. before and after intervention In case group there was a significant difference in terms of HBM constructs (P<0.0001),	Moderate	
(Daryani et al., 2015)	the intervention $(N = 60)$ or control $(N = 60)$		2)control group received no intervention			
Taghi Pour shoorijeh et al,(2015) (shoorijeh Leila et al.)	quasi- experimental Experimental group N=60/ Control group N=60	Iran	Educational slides	after educational intervention there was significantly increase in mean scores of perceived susceptibility and severity, perceived benefits and barriers, self-efficacy and cues to action in internal and external dimensions in intervention group.	Moderate	
Hanaa, A.A et al (2014) (Hanaa, 2014)	Experimental design 314 married female students intervention group =157 and CON =157	Egypt	Self-learning package about CCS	Regarding knowledge dimension there was high difference between two group (p<0.05).  In the intervention group the mean scores of perceived susceptibility and severity  Of cervical cancer and perceived benefits of early detection and HPV vaccination were significantly higher than CON.	Moderate	Не
Guvenc et al , (2013) (Guvenc et al., 2013)	quasi- experimental n= 2,500 women	Turkey	1-stage nursing intervention was distribution of the study's educational brochure, by apartment building doormen 2-stage nursing intervention (telephone interviews) 3-stage nursing intervention (face- to- face interviews)	The result showed that Of the 144 who did not have Pap test after telephone interviews, 54 were then interviewed face-to-face, and 37.0% decided to accept free Pap test. A total of 668 women had accepted free Pap test uptake by the end of the intervention.	Moderate	Health belief model
Bebis et al., (2012) (Bebis et al., 2012)	RCT Intervention group=75 CON=75	Turkey	Educational conference (45 minutes) about Cervical cancer and Papanicolaou test in study group	There was statistically significant between two group in the score of knowledge (p<0.05) and There were statistically lower levels of susceptibility to cervical cancer score , lower levels of perceived benefit and lower levels of perceived barriers to Papanicolaou test score $(P<0.05).$	Moderate	
Pirzadeh & Amidi Mazaheri et al (2012) (Pirzadeh & Mazaheri, 2012)	quasi- experimental 70 women Intervention group = 35 CON=35	Iran	educational session lasted 45–60 min about cervical cancer and its screening	The results showed that after intervention HBM variables includes (perceived susceptibility and severity, perceived benefits, and barriers) had significantly difference between two groups ( $P < 0.001$ ).	Moderate	
Karimy et al,(2011)	quasi- experimental	Iran	educational program in three sessions based on Health Belief Model	The results showed that in intervention group the mean score of self-efficacy, susceptibility, severity, benefit and barriers perceived and performance of pap smear test were significantly increased (p<0.05).	Moderate	
(Karimy, Gallali, Niknami, Aminshokravi, & Tavafian, 2012)	60 participants each: the experiment (intervention) group and the control					
Shojaeizadeh et al.(2011) (Shojaeizadeh et al., 2011)	quasi- experimental n=70	Iran	The participants were divided in to seven 10- member groups. For each group, 2-hour training session was held twice. In each session, various training methods were used (lectures, question, and answer, showing slides and group discussion).	There was significantly increase in scores of perceived susceptibility, severity, benefits, and barriers and participants' knowledge	Moderate	

Table 1 Continued

study	Design/sample/model	location	Intervention	Outcome	quality rating EPHPP	model
Park et al, (2005)	non-equivalent control group post-test	Korea	The core contents of the program reflected the results of a previous qualitative study conducted through focus groups to explore cognitive and affective attributes that women experience related to Pap test	Participants in the experimental group had significantly higher scores on perceived benefits of Pap tests, knowledge of cervical cancer, lower scores on procedural and cognitive barriers to testing(p<0.05). Results showed the Improvement in elf-efficacy, strong intention to have the pap test and advanced stages of behavior adoption (p < .01).	Strong	Healt
(Park et al., 2005)	Intervention group = 48 CON=48					Health Belief Model
Jibaja-Weiss et al, (2003)	RCT	Houston	1) personalized form (PF) letter( containing generic cancer information	The results showed 1 year after the intervention that personalized form-letter group was significantly more likely to have undergone a Pap testing ( $p$ <0.05).	strong	Model
(Jibaja-Weiss et al., 2003)	N=1574 Teilored letter=524 personalized form (PF) letter=460 con=499		2)personalized tailored (PT) letter containing minimally tailored individualized risk factor information about breast and cervical cancer screening			
Krok-Schoen et al, (2016) (Krok- Schoen et al., 2016)	randomized controlled trial 90 women	USA	received all components for the intervention (both visits, both phone calls, and 4 mailed postcards)	At visit 1 woman in the preparation and contemplation stages reported more barriers than women in the precontemplation stage. At visit 2, the number of reported barriers declined, and a higher number of barriers were reported by those n the early stages of change.	strong	Trans 1
Hou et al, (2005) (Hou, 2005)	$\begin{array}{l} pretest-posttest\ design \\ n=424 \end{array}$	Taiwan	phone educational intervention	Result showed that at the end of the program women in the intervention group were 2.31 more likely and in contemplation stage4.18 were more likely to receive a CCS.	Moderate	Trans theoretical Model
Abdullah et al , (2013) (Abdullah & Su, 2013)	cluster randomized controlled trial intervention group =199 and CON =199	Malaysia	intervention group: A call- recall program  The control group received usual care from the existing program.	Results showed that In both groups, pre- contemplation stage was had the highest proportion of changes in all stages. An intervention group showed two times more in the action stage than control group (OR= 2.44) At 24 weeks.	Strong	odel
Coronado Interis et al, (2016)'(Coronado Interis et al., 2015)	pre-test/post-test design n=225	Jamaica	Intervention sessions were conducted one-to-one and in groups of up to 30 women. Presentations lasted approximately 15 min for both methods of delivery	6 month after intervention statistically significant increases in the percentage of questions correctly answered and in participants' intention to CCS.40.7% of women screened for cervical cancer	Moderate	TTM/HBM
Maxwell et al,(2003)(Maxwell et al., 2003)	randomized trial n=444 intervention=213 CON=234	Los Angeles County	Small group discussion intervention with Educational intervention sessions by physicians and nurses.	The results showed that screening rates in study group were moderate increased.	Moderate	Health Belief Model Theory of Reasoned Action/Planned Behavior Pre- cede Model

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their study reported that professional education program have positive effect on pap test behavior of women. Shobeiri and Roshanaei, (2016) reported that HBM-based education had a key role on changing women's beliefs about CCS. Taghi Pour shoorijeh et al, (2015) reported that HBM based intervention can enhance the awareness and uptake of pap test. Daryani et al., (2015) showed that education based on HBM was effective in enhancing women's performance about CCS. Guvenc and Yenen, (2013) reported that three-stage nursing intervention could help to increase participation of Turkish women in Pap testing. Bebis et al., (2012) reported that

HBM educational based model significantly increased the knowledge, perceived susceptibility cervical cancer and barriers of pap testing. Pirzadeh and Mazaheri, (2012) reported that HBM based educational intervention promote CCS behavior of women. Shojaeizadeh et al., (2011) concluded that HBM based health education can enhance women's knowledge and health beliefs and CCS behaviors. In Karimy et al., (2011) study theories and models of changing of individuals' behavior is effective programs on CCS. The results of Park and Chung, (2005) study showed that cognition-emotion focused program have a role on women's decisions to have Pap smear.

Table 2. Characteristics of Included Studies Based on Protection Motivation Theory, Precede-Proceed Model

study	Design/sample/ model	location	Intervention	Outcome	quality rating EPHPP	model
Ghahremani et al,(2015)	quasi- experimental	Iran	Training classes were conducted for the health volunteers through three 120-minute sessions using PowerPoint slide show and educational pamphlets and booklets.	In the intervention group the mean scores of perceived vulnerability, severity, fear, response-costs, intention, and self-efficacy statistically significant increased(P<0.001). but there was no significant difference regarding response efficacy after the intervention (P=0.06). The rate of uptake Pap test increased by about 62.9% among the intervention group.	Moderate	Protection l
(Ghahremani et al., 2016)	Intervention group (n=210)/ Control - group (n=210)					Protection Motivation Theory(PMT)
Dehdari et al,(2014) (Dehdari et al., 2014)	quasi- randomized controlled trial intervention group =97 and CON =103	Iran	The educational intervention includes four 60-minute sessions during a four-week period. At the end of last session, an instructional booklet was given to the participants.	In the intervention group the mean scores of self-efficacy and intention variables were significantly higher than CON (p<0.05). But the result showed that there were No significant differences in the perceived severity, response cost, response efficacy, and fear. In the intervention group Higher percent of women had obtained first and second Pap smear compared to the CON.	Moderate	eory(PMT)
Katz et al, (2007) (Katz et al., 2007)	randomized trial Intervention group = 453 CON=444	North Carolina	The intervention group received an educational program about mammography delivered by a health advisor, and the CON received a physician letter/ brochure about Pap tests.	The rate of CCS significantly increased in both group	Strong	Precede-Proceed Model
Peterson et al, (2012) (Peterson et al., 2012)	RCT Intervention group = 80 CON=76	Oregon	The education program include 90-120 minute small-group workshop / structured telephone support for 6 months (with five monthly calls attempted, Control group participants	The intervention group statistically significant received more Pap tests than the CON (intervention 61%, control 27%, $n=71$ ).	strong	social cog
Tomas Nun o et al (2011) (Nuno et al.,	RCT Intervention group (n =	U.S.– Mexico	received general health promotion  The educational intervention trained by promotora in 2-h group session	the intervention group 1.5 times more likely to report having pap testing although this was not statistically significant (95% CI = 0.9–2.6).	Strong	social cognitive theory
2011)	183)/Usual care group (n = 188)		Profit consum	.g(2010 0.7 2.0).		

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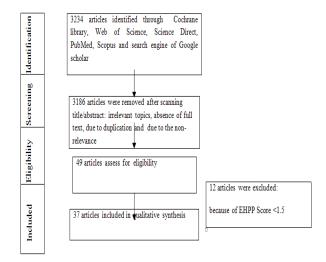


Figure 1. Flowchart of Articles Selection

The results Jibaja-Weiss et al., (2003) showed that one year after the intervention that personalized form-letter group was significantly more likely to have undergone a Pap testing.

## Social cognitive theory (SCT)

Peterson et al., (2010) reported that among mobility

impairments women PATHS intervention enhanced the pap testing. Nuno et al., (2011) reported that a promotora-based education enhace the CCS behavior of Hispanic women.

## Trans Theoretical Model (TTM)

In Krok-Schoen et al., (2016) study showed during the intervention 63% of the Ohio Appalachian women had forward stage movement. Hou et al., (2005) reported that at the end of the program women in the intervention group were 2.31 more likely and in contemplation stage 4.18 were more likely to receive a CCS. In Abdullah and Su, (2013) study results showed that in both groups, pre-contemplation stage was had the highest proportion of changes in all stages.

#### Precede-Proceed Model

Katz et al., (2007) reported that implementation of ROSE project (which was designed to improve breast cancer screening in Carolina) significantly increased The rate of CCS in both group of participants.

#### *Protection Motivation Theory (PMT)*

In the Dehdari et al., (2014) study the results showed that in the intervention group the mean scores of self-efficacy and intention variables were significantly

Table 3. Characteristics of Included Studies Based on Health Education Methods Without Framework Theory Based

study	Design/sample/ model	location	Intervention	Outcome	quality rating EPHPP
Gana et al, (2016)'(Gana et al., 2016)	quasi-experimental the intervention (N = 93) or control (N = 93	Nigeria	During the intervention phase, health education was provided on cervical cancer, Pap smear test with emphasis on its benefit and procedure and on proximate health institutions that provide such services to the intervention group.	After intervention there was a statistically significant difference in cervical cancer awareness (p<0.05), but the rate of pap testing marginally increased (p>0.5)	Moderate
Thompson et al, (2016) (Thompson et al., 2017)	RCT video delivered to participants' homes; n = 150 video plus a home- based educational session; n = 146 usual care; n=147	Latinas	1) the control arm (usual care) did not receive any intervention 2) Participants in the low-intensity intervention (video) arm were mailed a culturally appropriate Spanish-language video based on a curriculum developed with community-based 3) The high-intensity arm received a promotoraled educational session in their home.	The results showed that pap testing in the high- intensity arm Significantly higher than low-intensity arm and the usual-care arm (P<.001)	Strong
Patricia et al, (2016) (Obulaney et al., 2016)	quasi-experimental design N = 41	US	mall group, mother/daughter educational intervention	The result of this study showed that knowledge-based test item Significantly improved (p<0.05),the mothers hpv vaccine intention significantly change (p<0.005)	Moderate
Rosser et al,(2015)	the intervention (N = 207) or control (N = 212)	Kenya	The educational intervention includes a brief health talk on cervical cancer.	The result showed that the mean score of Knowledge in the intervention group significantly increased (p<0.05) however there was no significantly increase in uptake of pap screening	Strong
Abiodun et al,(2014)	Quasi-experimental	Nigeria	Health education intervention used a movie on cervical cancer and screening/ The intervention group received health education on cervical cancer and screening while the control group received education on breast cancer and screening. The control group also received health education on cervical cancer and screening after the post intervention study.	The result showed that Health education had significant effect on the awareness of CCS (p < 0.0001). Also in the intervention group The mean score of knowledge, perception and uptake of cervical screening were improved.	
(Abiodun et al., 2014)	Experimental group N=350 Control group N=350				Moderate
Lai et al (2014) (Gahremani nasab et al., 2014)	quasi-experimental n=200 (100 in each group)	Taiwan	Intervention group: Six-hour discussion sessions were offered either with Facebook-assisted or in-person discussions after class.	In the intervention group there were significantly greater improvement in knowledge and attitudes score after intervention.	Moderate
Choi (2013) (Moodi et al., 2011)	pre-test/post-test design n=57 intervention group =30 and CON =27	korea	4-week program ( in 50-minute sessions once a week)  The control group received no intervention	The results of this study showed that the cervical cancer preventive program was effective in increasing perceived susceptibility, knowledge and CCS.	strong
Marek et al , (2012) (Marek et al., 2012)	educational intervention study Experimental group / n=89 Control group/ n=128	Baranya County, Hungary	The educational intervention was undertaken by a trained health educator (first author) during the students' regular classes	The results showed that awareness about cervical cancer, causal relationship between cervical cancer and HPV and perception of HPV vaccination, health-related beliefs significantly increased in intervention group (p<0.05)	Moderate
Love et al , (2012)	quasi-experimental	Thailand	the intervention group received Entertainment- education video	No uniform differences were showed between two groups. In Both educational Knowledge and attitudes score increased.	Moderate
(Love & Tanjasiri, 2012)	intervention group / n=263 CON=253		(video) and the control group received brochure		
Brien et al, (2010) (O'Brien et al., 2010)	randomized trial Intervention group = 60 CON=60	Philadelphia	The educational intervention consisted of two workshops (3-hour, 4 and 10 women in each group) which were led by a pair of promotoras.	There were statistically significant differences in Pap smear test (65% vs. 36%), knowledge about cervical cancer (5.4 vs. 3.5), and self-efficacy (4.7 vs. 4.0) between the two group.	Moderate
Wright et al, (2010) (Wright et al., 2010)	quasi-experimental Intervention group = 175 CON=175	Nigeria	the intervention group received sessions of community- based educational messages	Three was low level of cervical cancer Knowledge at baseline (15% versus 6.9% CON). in the intervention/experimental group there were Significant increase in proportions on awareness of cervical cancer (61.7%).	Moderate

Table 3. Continued

study	Design/sample/ model	location	Intervention	Outcome	quality rating EPHPP
Choe et al (2009) (Guvenc et al., 2011)	randomized trial n=130 deaf women	California	Intervention group received cervical cancer education video	In the intervention group by viewing of the in- depth video, obtained significantly more cancer knowledge than the CON.	Moderate
Perkins et al, (2007) (Perkins et al., 2007)	pre-/ post-test design control groups n = 124, n = 243; intervention group n = 233	Honduras	radio broadcasts education and lecture presentations	The radio broadcast increased the proportion of knowledge of women about cervical cancer. And also improved pap test behavior of women	Moderate
Holloway et al (2003) (Moodi et al., 2011)	RCT N=1890 intervention=772 CON=1118	Wales	a brief specific counseling session	In the intervention arm at the 5year follow-up, fewer women had attended for CCS sooner than recommended recall.	Moderate
Taylor et al, (2002) (Taylor et al., 2002)	RCT High-intensity intervention=161 Low-intensity intervention=161 CON=160	North America	The CON received usual care.     The outreach worker intervention group received an educational brochure, tailored counseling and a fact sheet     The direct mail intervention group received materials by mail	39% of women in outreach group, 25% in the direct mail group and 15% in the CON reported Pap testing in the interval between randomization and follow-up data collection (P<.001 for outreach worker vs CON, P = .03 for direct mail vs CON, and P = .02 for outreach worker vs direct mail).	strong

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higher than CON (p<0.05); But the result showed that there were No significant differences in the perceived severity, response cost, response efficacy, and fear. In the intervention group higher percent of women had obtained first and second Pap smear compared to the CON. The result of Ghahremani et al., (2015) study showed that educational based on PMT is effective in pap testing among participants. PMT was introduced by Rogers as a predictive theoretical model of health behaviors. This theory proposes that two appraisal processes, i.e. threat and coping appraisal, occur when the individual receives threatening information. Threat appraisal is associated with a maladaptive response. It involves the perceived severity of a threatening event and personal vulnerability to the proposed threat (Dehdari et al., 2014).

#### Combined model

Maxwell et al., (2003) reported that small group community-based education base on Health Belief Model , the Theory of Reasoned Action/Planned Behavior and the Precede Model only effective in increasing CCS among participants who had very low baseline CCS rates. Coronado et al., (2016) reported that the knowledge and intention to CCS of participants based on HBM/TTM theory education intervention significantly increased.

## Health education methods

In Gana et al., (2016) educational program increased cervical cancer and Pap test awareness however, even after intervention the uptake of Pap testing remained low. In Thompson et al., (2016) study results showed that inhome, promotora-led educational intervention improving CCS. in Patricia et al., (2016) study the awareness and intention of mothers were changed after their daughter education (Obulaney et al., 2016). Rosser et al., (2015) reported that the educational intervention could help to increase knowledge and awareness about CCS, however it did not result in higher CCS rates. Hanaa et al., (2014) reported that after self-learning educational package the perceive and knowledge of intervention group increased

and the 53.5% of the intervention group compared with 5.7% of the CON intent to do pap test. The result Abiodun et al., (2014) showed that health education had significant effect on the awareness of CCS (p < 0.0001). Also in the intervention group the mean score of knowledge, perception and uptake of cervical screening were improved. Lai et al., (2014) and Gahremani-nasab et al., (2014) reported that School-based education had positive effect on cervical cancer prevention. Choi, (2013) and Moodi et al., (2011) in their study reported that education program with picture book, lecture and discussion significantly improved the knowledge and CCS of Korean women. Marek et al., (2012) reported that, school-based, educational intervention effective in improving knowledge, beliefs and attitudes. Love and Tanjasiri, (2012) reported that entertainment-education video and brochure could help to increasing knowledge and attitudes. In O'Brien et al., (2010) study promotora-led intervention significantly improved pap test using rate also could help to increase self-efficacy and cervical cancer knowledge of women. Wright et al., (2010) reported that Community Education improved the cervical cancer awareness of women. Choe et al., (2009) and Guvenc et al., (2011) reported that education by video in deaf women improved the cervical cancer knowledge. Perkins et al., (2007) reported that community-based educational intervention with lecture presentations and radio broadcasts increase CCS behavior of women. Holloway et al., (2003) and Moodi et al., (2011) reported that the intervention had a substantial benefit for CCS. In Taylor et al., (2002) study 39% of women in outreach group, 25% in the direct mail group and 15% in the CON reported Pap testing in the interval between randomization and follow-up data collection.

## Discussion

Cervical cancer is a common women cancer our study systematically assess the effect of Educational Interventions to improve cervical cancer screening (CCS)

behavior of women. The result of our study showed that educational interventions based on health behavior change theories could help to improve CCS behavior of women in different part of the world. Theories of health behavior change indicates that increasing self-regulation skills and developing knowledge and beliefs lead to the change of health behavior (Ryan, 2009). The result of a review showed that behavioral interventions example mailed or telephone reminders increased pap test usage by 18.8% (Yabroff et al., 2003). Roncancio et al., (2013) reported that Theory of Planned Behavior Model is a useful model for understanding CCS intentions. Coronado et al., (2015) reported that theory-based education intervention lead to increasing knowledge and promoting awareness and increasing screening rates.

The result of our study showed that different health education methods (such as calls, mailed postcards, mother/daughter education, consultation sessions, video, PowerPoint slide, small group discussion, educational brochure, radio broadcasts education, lecture presentations, tailored counseling and a fact sheet, Self -learning package, face-to- face interviews and ...) are effective in CCS behavior of women. The evidence show that an educational intervention can help to reduce barriers of CCS and subsequently can help to increase CCS rate (Coronado et al., 2015). Soares and Silva, (2016) in their review about interventions that facilitate adherence to Pap smear exam reported that use of case manager; media outreach work; telephone call; invitation letter increase women's knowledge about CCS. Lu et al., (2012) in their systematic review about interventions to increase breast and cervical cancer screening uptake in Asian women reported that the combination workplace-based group education programs with mobile screening services and attending screening are effective in promotion breast and cervical cancer screening uptake. Roy et al., (2008) in the systematic review reported that use of client reminders, one-on-one education and small media improve cervical cancer screening behavior of women (Baron et al., 2008). Sabatino et al., (2012) in their systematic review reported that client reminders and one-on-one education and reducing structural barriers improve the CCS behavior (Spadea et al., 2010). In another systematic review reported that community demand for screening increased with education by: Mass media, Client reminders and recall, Client incentives, Laws to increase screening, Reducing structural barriers, Reducing client out-of-pocket costs, Provider assessment and feedback (Baron et al., 2008). Evidence show that organized screening programs can improve the cervical cancer screening (Spadea et al., 2010).

#### Limitation

Our study did not include the 'grey' literature so Future research need to survey this literature.

In conclusion, different interventional and health behavior change framework models are effective method in cervical cancer prevention. Heath providers can chose educational method based on the client situations.

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