

Results

The results are presented in following consequences:

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Part (1): Socio-demographic characteristics of studied subjects

Table (1): Distribution of socio-demographic characteristics of studied patients.

| Socio – demographic | Number(51) | Percentage (%) |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Age /year | | |
| 18 – | 2 | 3.92 |
| 20 – | 17 | 33.33 |
| 30 – | 10 | 19.61 |
| 40 – | 22 | 43.14 |
| Mean± S.D = | 37.176 ± 13.535 | |
| Gender | | |
| Male | 31 | 60.78 |
| Female | 20 | 39.22 |
| Marital status | | |
| Single | 16 | 31.37 |
| Married | 34 | 66.67 |
| Widowed | 1 | 1.96 |
| The number of family members | | |
| 3 -5 | 31 | 60.78 |
| >5 | 20 | 39.22 |
| Education | | |
| Illiterate | 5 | 9.80 |
| Primary education | 9 | 17.65 |
| Secondary or equivalent | 23 | 45.10 |
| Intermediate certificate | 10 | 19.61 |
| University | 4 | 7.84 |
| Occupation | | |
| Does not work | 3 | 5.88 |
| house wife | 10 | 19.61 |
| Officer | 14 | 27.45 |
| Pension | 2 | 3.92 |
| Free business | 22 | 43.14 |
| Family income | | |
| Enough and can save | 2 | 3092 |
| Enough only | 48 | 94.12 |
| Not enough | 1 | 1.96 |

Table (1) denotes that, more than one third 43.14% of studied patients aged 40 years with the mean age 37.177 ± 13.535 years, and more 60.78% of them were males. 66.67% of studied patients were married and the number of family members 60.78% was ranged from 3-5 members. Regarding educational level of studied sample 45% of them had secondary or equivalent education. Most of the studied patients had free business or housewife (43.14% and 19.61%) respectively. The majority of them reported their income were enough 49.12%.

Table (2): Distribution of patients according to their history about present disease.

| Disease history | Number (51) | Percentage (%) |
|--|-------------|----------------|
| Date of onset of disease / year | | |
| <1 | 43 | 84.31 |
| 1- | 7 | 13.73 |
| 2-3 years | 1 | 1.96 |
| Classification of patient for treatment: | | |
| New | 42 | 82.35 |
| Retrograde | 8 | 15.69 |
| Failure | 1 | 1.96 |
| The symptoms in the onset of disease: | | |
| Fatigue | 12 | 23.53 |
| Loss of appetite | 36 | 70.59 |
| Fever | 44 | 86.27 |
| Productive cough | 50 | 98.04 |
| Bloody sputum | 15 | 29.41 |
| Night sweat | 24 | 47.06 |
| Dyspnea | 28 | 54.90 |
| Chest Pain | 47 | 92.16 |
| Weight loss | 51 | 100.00 |
| Investigations that were conducted: | | |
| Skin Test | 51 | 100.00 |
| Chest x-ray | 51 | 100.00 |
| Sputum culture | 51 | 100.00 |
| Blood Analysis | 51 | 100.00 |
| The treatment regime, which is followed: | | |
| Short treatment | 50 | 98.04 |
| Re-treatment system | 1 | 1.96 |
| The number of times admitted to hospital: | | |
| Not once | 37 | 72.55 |
| Once | 13 | 25.49 |
| Twice and more | 1 | 1.96 |
| Increase rest period and reduced daily activity after disease | 51 | 100.00 |
| Other health problems | | |
| Hypertension | 4 | 2.04 |
| diabetes | 6 | 3.06 |
| Follow-up time | | |
| Every two months | 51 | 100.00 |

Table (2) portray the present medical history of the studied patients, 84.31% of the patients reported they suffer from TB since less than one year and 82.35% of them were classified as new cases. They complain from loss weight, productive cough, chest pain, fever and loss appetite at the onset of disease (100%, 98.04%, 92.16%, 86.27% and 70.59%) respectively. Concerning the investigations conducted to all patients were tuberculin test, sputum culture and blood analysis. 98.04% of patients were followed short treatment regime. Most of them were not admitted to the hospital and quarter of them 25.49% admitted once. All of patients mentioned they reduced their activities and prolonged the rest period. As regard the other health problems 2.04% of patients had hypertension and 30.06% had diabetes. All patients carried follow-up care every two months.

Table (3): Distribution of socio-demographic characteristics of study caregivers.

| Socio – demographic (Caregiver) | Number(51) | Percentage (%) |
|---------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| Age /year | | |
| 20 – | 7 | 13.73 |
| 30 – | 19 | 37.25 |
| 40 – | 25 | 49.02 |
| Gender | | |
| Male | 3 | 5.88 |
| Female | 48 | 94.12 |
| Marital status | | |
| Single | 1 | 1.96 |
| Married | 49 | 96.08 |
| Widowed | 1 | 1.96 |
| Education | | |
| Illiterate | 17 | 33.33 |
| Primary education | 13 | 25.49 |
| Secondary or equivalent | 18 | 35.29 |
| Intermediate certificate | 3 | 5.88 |
| Occupation | | |
| Does not work | 1 | 1.96 |
| house wife | 42 | 82.35 |
| Officer | 6 | 11.76 |
| Free business | 2 | 3.92 |
| Place of residence | | |
| with patient | 51 | 100.00 |
| Kinship relation | | |
| husband/wife | 26 | 50.98 |
| daughter/son | 5 | 9.80 |
| mother | 20 | 39.22 |

Table (3) revealed the socio- demographic characteristics of studied caregivers, 49.02% of caregivers were aged 40 years and more, 94.12% were females and 96.08% of them were married. Concerning the education 35.29% of them had secondary or equivalent education and 84.31% does not work/housewife. All caregivers residents with the patient in same place and 50.98% of them were husband/wife.

Part (II): Home Environmental Condition.

Table (4): The home environmental condition as reported by the patients.

| Home condition | Number(51) | Percentage (%) |
|------------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| House condition: | | |
| Separate | 48 | 94.12 |
| Common | 3 | 5.88 |
| Quality of the building: | | |
| Mud | 2 | 3.92 |
| Brick | 49 | 96.08 |
| Numbers of rooms: | | |
| Two | 33 | 64.71 |
| Three and more | 18 | 35.29 |
| Types of the home ground: | | |
| Mud | 1 | 1.96 |
| Court | 48 | 94.12 |
| Armed | 2 | 3.92 |
| Source of drinking water: | | |
| Tap house | 51 | 100.00 |
| Water storage: | | |
| Yes | 9 | 17.65 |
| No | 42 | 82.35 |
| Storage system: | | |
| Covered container | 9 | 100.00 |
| Types of bath room: | | |
| Balady bath room | 18 | 35.29 |
| Ordinary bath room | 33 | 64.71 |
| Sewage system: | | |
| Governmental sewage network | 25 | 49.02 |
| Tanks | 26 | 50.98 |
| The degree of sun exposure: | | |
| Good | 21 | 41.18 |
| Not good | 30 | 58.82 |
| Ventilation: | | |
| Adequate | 21 | 41.18 |
| Not adequate | 30 | 58.82 |
| Garbage disposal: | | |
| Every day | 51 | 100.00 |

Table (4) illustrated the home environmental condition of the studied patients, 94.12% of the patients lived in separate house, 96.08% of them have brick buildings and 64.71% of them have two rooms. Regarding type of the home ground, 94.12% of the patients have court ground. 17.65% of the patients been stored water in covered container and 64.71% of them have balcony bath room. Concerning sewage system, almost half 50.98%, 49.02% of the patients had tanks and governmental sewage network. As regard the degree of sun exposure and ventilation were bad and inadequate in more than half of their house 58.82%. All of the studied patients disposed their garbage every day.

Part (III): Patients and caregivers knowledge about TB and methods of prevention pre-post program.

Table (5): Distribution of patient's knowledge about TB (causes, types, and mode of transmission) pre and post program.

| Knowledge | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|--|-------|--------|-------|--------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | % | N(51) | % | X ² | P-value |
| Causative agent of tuberculosis: | | | | | | |
| Bacteria | 8 | 15.69 | 43 | 84.31 | 52.501 | 0.001 |
| Virus | 19 | 37.25 | 8 | 15.69 | | |
| Immunity | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Idiopathic | 1 | 1.96 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| I do not know | 23 | 45.10 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Tuberculosis is burden disease: | | | | | | |
| Yes | 38 | 74.51 | 47 | 92.16 | 5.718 | 0.017 |
| Tuberculosis is contagious lung disease only: | | | | | | |
| Yes | 51 | 100.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 102.000 | 0.001 |
| Other system affected by TB: | | | | | | |
| Digestive system | 0 | 0.00 | 51 | 100.00 | 102.000 | 0.001 |
| Urinary system | 0 | 0.00 | 51 | 100.00 | 102.000 | |
| Lymph nodes | 0 | 0.00 | 50 | 98.04 | 98.077 | |
| Meanings | 0 | 0.00 | 47 | 92.16 | 87.164 | |
| Bone | 0 | 0.00 | 48 | 94.12 | 90.667 | |
| Skin | 0 | 0.00 | 47 | 92.16 | 87.164 | |
| Mode of transmission: | | | | | | |
| -Inhalation of air loaded tuberculosis germs | 4 | 7.84 | 51 | 100.00 | 87.164 | 0.001 |
| -Drinking contaminated milk | 1 | 1.96 | 51 | 100.00 | 98.077 | |
| - Use patient tools | 14 | 27.45 | 48 | 94.12 | 47.545 | |
| - Touches the injured skin with the secretions of an infected person | 0 | 0.00 | 50 | 98.04 | 98.077 | |

Table (5) shows that, at the pre test nearly all patients had poor knowledge about the disease, at post test the patients knowledge increased in all items of knowledge related to causative agent 84.31%, burden of disease 92.16% other system affected by disease 100% and mode of transmission. This improvement was statistically significant ($P < 0.01$).

Table (6): Distribution of patient's knowledge about TB predisposing factors and clinical manifestation pre and post program.

| Knowledge | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|--|-------|-------|-------|--------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | (%) | N(51) | (%) | X ² | P-value |
| Predisposing factors | | | | | | |
| Direct contact with patients infected with tuberculosis | 10 | 19.61 | 51 | 100.00 | 68.557 | 0.001 |
| Presence crowded places in homes or public places | 0 | 0.00 | 50 | 98.04 | 98.077 | |
| Malnutrition and lack of proteins and vitamins | 24 | 47.06 | 51 | 100.00 | 36.720 | |
| Some diseases such as HIV (AIDS) | 0 | 0.00 | 47 | 92.16 | 87.164 | |
| Drinking unpasteurized milk or not boiled from infected beef | 2 | 3.92 | 51 | 100.00 | 94.302 | |
| Bad habits such as spitting on the ground, coughing and sneezing in the face of others | 8 | 15.69 | 47 | 92.16 | 60.016 | |
| Clinical manifestations | | | | | | |
| General weakness | 22 | 43.14 | 48 | 94.12 | 30.782 | 0.001 |
| Loss appetite | 16 | 31.37 | 51 | 100.00 | 53.284 | |
| Underweight | 1 | 1.96 | 48 | 94.12 | 86.761 | |
| Fever | 40 | 78.43 | 51 | 100.00 | 12.330 | |
| Night Sweats | 3 | 5.88 | 48 | 94.12 | 79.412 | |
| Cough for more than two weeks | 40 | 78.43 | 51 | 100.00 | 12.330 | |
| Cough with bloody sputum | 5 | 9.80 | 48 | 94.12 | 72.621 | |
| Chest pain | 35 | 68.63 | 51 | 100.00 | 18.977 | |

Table (6) show that, at the pre-test the minority of the patients had knowledge about predisposing factors, except for malnutrition and lack of protein and vitamins were 47.06% had correct knowledge. Also patients had knowledge about clinical manifestations of disease pre program such as loss weight, cough for more than two weeks, and bloody sputum 78.43%, 78.43% and 68.63% respectively. Their both knowledge has shown statistically significance improvement for both predisposing factors and clinical manifestations of disease post program implementation ($P < 0.01$).

Table (7): Distribution of patient's knowledge about incubation period, vaccination and treatment of TB pre - post program.

| Knowledge | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|--|-------|--------|-------|--------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | (%) | N(51) | (%) | X ² | P-value |
| Incubation period | | | | | | |
| From 4 - 12 weeks | 0 | 0.00 | 43 | 84.31 | 102.000 | 0.001 |
| From 6 – 8 weeks | 0 | 0.00 | 8 | 15.69 | | |
| I do not know | 51 | 100.00 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Vaccine against tuberculosis: | | | | | | |
| Yes | 26 | 50.98 | 51 | 100.00 | 33.117 | 0.001 |
| I do not know | 25 | 49.02 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| The drugs used in the treatment of tuberculosis: | | | | | | |
| Vitamins | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 9.871 | 0.001 |
| Anti-inflammatory | 8 | 15.69 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Antibiotics | 42 | 82.35 | 51 | 100.00 | | |
| I do not know | 1 | 1.96 | 0 | 0.00 | | |

Table (7) presents the patient's knowledge about incubation period, vaccination and treatment of TB pre-post program. The finding showed pre program none of the patients know the incubation period of TB, half of them know their was a vaccine against the disease, also most of patients 82.35% reported antibiotic are the main methods of treatment. Post program implementation there was significance statistical differences in the patients knowledge than pre program about the above mentioned item ($P < 0.01$).

Table (8): Distribution of patient's knowledge about nutrition and methods of prevention pre - post program.

| Knowledge | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|---|-------|-------|-------|--------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | (%) | N(51) | (%) | X ² | P-value |
| Types of foods must be eating during the period of illness | | | | | | |
| The integrated meal contains (protein + carbohydrates + fats | 21 | 41.18 | 47 | 92.16 | 30.075 | 0.001 |
| Boiled Food | 4 | 7.84 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Increasing foods containing proteins | 26 | 50.98 | 4 | 7.84 | | |
| Methods of prevention | | | | | | |
| BCG Vaccination | 0 | 0.00 | 51 | 100.00 | 102.000 | 0.001 |
| Early detection of cases of tuberculosis and treatment and away from patients and to avoid mixing with them | 0 | 0.00 | 47 | 92.16 | 87.164 | |
| Good health habits such as not spitting on the ground and cover your mouth and nose when sneezing or coughing and to refrain from drinking smoking and shisha | 3 | 5.88 | 50 | 98.04 | 86.761 | |
| Early medical examination when you feel symptoms such as coughing for more than two weeks and the increase of temperature | 1 | 1.96 | 47 | 92.16 | 83.269 | |
| Good ventilation of homes and places of work and exposure to the sun | 9 | 17.65 | 51 | 100.00 | 71.400 | |
| Healthy nutrition and exercise | 37 | 72.55 | 51 | 100.00 | 16.227 | |
| Personal hygiene and cleanliness of housing protects against infection | 41 | 80.39 | 51 | 100.00 | 11.087 | 0.001 |

Table (8) indicated the patients reported answers about nutrition and methods of preventing TB pre-post program. The results revealed significance statistical difference in patients reported answers pre-post program ($P < 0.01$).

Table (9): Distribution of caregivers' knowledge about causes and mode of transmission of TB pre - post program.

| Items | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|---|-------|--------|-------|--------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | (%) | N(51) | (%) | X ² | P-value |
| Causative agent of tuberculosis | | | | | | |
| Bacteria | 4 | 7.84 | 47 | 92.16 | 74.810 | 0.001 |
| Virus | 14 | 27.45 | 4 | 7.84 | | |
| Immunity | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Idiopathic | 2 | 3.92 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| I do not know | 31 | 60.78 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Tuberculosis is burden disease | | | | | | |
| Yes | 41 | 80.39 | 51 | 100.00 | 11.087 | 0.001 |
| No | 10 | 19.61 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Tuberculosis is contagious lung disease only | | | | | | |
| Yes | 51 | 100.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 102.000 | 0.001 |
| No | 0 | 0.00 | 51 | 100.00 | | |
| If no what are other system affected by TB | | | | | | |
| Digestive system | 0 | 0.00 | 51 | 100.00 | 102.000 | 0.001 |
| Urinary system | 0 | 0.00 | 48 | 94.12 | 90.667 | |
| Lymph nodes | 0 | 0.00 | 49 | 96.08 | 94.302 | |
| Meanings | 0 | 0.00 | 47 | 92.16 | 87.164 | |
| Bone | 0 | 0.00 | 51 | 100.00 | 102.000 | |
| Skin | 0 | 0.00 | 48 | 94.12 | 90.667 | |
| Mode of transmission | | | | | | |
| Inhalation of air loaded tuberculosis germs | 9 | 17.65 | 51 | 100.00 | 71.400 | 0.001 |
| Drinking milk contaminated with germs of tuberculosis | 1 | 1.96 | 51 | 100.00 | 98.077 | |
| The use of patient tools contaminated with infectious Sputum | 12 | 23.53 | 51 | 100.00 | 63.143 | |
| Touches the skin (with the presence of any injuries) with the tools or secretions of an infected person | 0 | 0.00 | 48 | 94.12 | 90.667 | |

Table (9) shows the caregivers answers about causative agent, burden and effect of disease, the other system affected by TB and mode of transmission pre-post program. According he table nearly or above quarter of the caregivers reported correct answers 27.45% before program about causative agent of TB as well as the mode of transmission 23.53% and none of them reported correct answer about the other system affected by TB. The highest reported correct knowledge was reported after implementation of the program. This difference was statistically significance ($P < 0.01$).

Table (10): Distribution of caregivers' knowledge about predisposing factors and clinical manifestation of TB pre - post program.

| Knowledge | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|--|-------|-------|-------|--------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | (%) | N(51) | (%) | X ² | P-value |
| Predisposing factors | | | | | | |
| Direct contact with patients infected with tuberculosis | 13 | 25.49 | 47 | 92.16 | 46.790 | 0.001 |
| Presence crowded places in homes or public places | 0 | 0.00 | 46 | 90.20 | 83.786 | |
| Malnutrition and lack of proteins and vitamins | 20 | 39.22 | 51 | 100.00 | 44.535 | |
| Some diseases such as HIV (AIDS) | 0 | 0.00 | 46 | 90.20 | 83.786 | |
| Drinking unpasteurized milk or not boiled from infected beef | 1 | 1.96 | 47 | 92.16 | 83.269 | |
| Bad habits such as spitting on the ground, coughing and sneezing in the face of others | 2 | 3.92 | 46 | 90.20 | 76.185 | |
| Clinical manifestation | | | | | | |
| General weakness | 18 | 35.29 | 46 | 90.20 | 32.882 | 0.001 |
| Loss appetite | 4 | 7.84 | 51 | 100.00 | 87.164 | |
| Underweight | 2 | 3.92 | 46 | 90.20 | 76.185 | |
| Fever | 39 | 76.47 | 51 | 100.00 | 13.600 | |
| Night Sweats | 12 | 23.53 | 46 | 90.20 | 46.204 | |
| Cough for more than two weeks | 37 | 72.55 | 51 | 100.00 | 16.227 | |
| Cough with bloody sputum | 8 | 15.69 | 46 | 90.20 | 56.824 | |
| Chest pain | 20 | 39.22 | 50 | 98.04 | 40.982 | |

Table (10) shows the knowledge of the studied caregivers about predisposing factors and clinical manifestations, according to table all caregivers improving their knowledge in predisposing factors immediately after implementing the program as 100%, 92.16%, 92.16% 90.20%, and 90.20% respectively for malnutrition and lack of proteins and vitamins, direct contact with patients infected with TB, drinking contaminated milk from infected beef, crowded places in homes or public places and bad habits.

As regard the clinical manifestation, all caregivers mentioned loss appetite, fever, cough for more than two weeks and they mentioned chest pain, general weakness, loss weight, night sweat, and cough with bloody sputum as 89.04%, 90.20%, 90.20% and 90.20% immediately after implementing the program.

It can be generally notice that there was an improvement of caregiver knowledge in post testing all items related to predisposing factors and clinical manifestations of the disease. This difference was statistically significance ($P < 0.01$).

Table (11): Distribution of caregivers' knowledge about incubation period, vaccination and treatment of TB pre - post program.

| Knowledge | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|---|-------|--------|-------|--------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | (%) | N(51) | (%) | X ² | P-value |
| Incubation period | | | | | | |
| From 4-12 weeks | 0 | 0.00 | 46 | 90.20 | 102.000 | 0.001 |
| From 6-8 weeks | 0 | 0.00 | 5 | 9.80 | | |
| I do not know | 51 | 100.00 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Vaccine against tuberculosis: | | | | | | |
| Yes | 21 | 41.18 | 51 | 100.00 | 42.500 | 0.001 |
| No | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| I do not know | 30 | 58.82 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| The drugs used in the treatment of tuberculosis: | | | | | | |
| Vitamins | 2 | 3.92 | 0 | 0.00 | 18.977 | 0.001 |
| Anti-inflammatory | 10 | 19.61 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Antibiotics | 35 | 68.63 | 51 | 100.00 | | |
| I do not know | 4 | 7.84 | 0 | 0.00 | | |

Table (11) illustrated the caregivers knowledge about incubation period, vaccination and treatment of TB. according table all caregivers preprogram don't know the incubation period of TB, 41.18% reported presented of vaccine against TB, and more than two third 68.63% mentioned the main treatment was antibiotic. Post implementation of hoe health care program, all of the caregivers reported correct answers about the above mentioned items. The results showed the difference in caregiver knowledge pre-post program was statistically significance ($P < 0.01$).

Table (12): Distribution of caregivers' knowledge about nutrition and methods of prevention of TB pre - post program.

| Knowledge | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | (%) | N(51) | (%) | X ² | P-value |
| Types of foods must be eating during the period of illness | | | | | | |
| The integrated meal contains (protein + carbohydrates + fats | 15 | 29.41 | 46 | 90.20 | 39.695 | 0.001 |
| Boiled Food | 7 | 13.73 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Increasing foods containing proteins | 29 | 56.86 | 5 | 9.80 | | |
| Methods of prevention | | | | | | |
| BCG Vaccination | 0 | 0.00 | 36 | 70.59 | 17.586 | 0.001 |
| Early detection of cases of tuberculosis and treatment and away from patients and to avoid mixing with them | 1 | 1.96 | 36 | 70.59 | 14.529 | 0.001 |
| Good health habits such as not spitting on the ground and cover your mouth and nose when sneezing or coughing and to refrain from drinking smoking and shisha | 2 | 3.92 | 34 | 66.67 | 14.553 | 0.001 |
| Early medical examination when you feel symptoms such as coughing for more than two weeks and the increase of temperature | 2 | 3.92 | 36 | 70.59 | 11.929 | 0.001 |
| Good ventilation of homes and places of work and exposure to the sun | 8 | 15.69 | 34 | 66.67 | 4.292 | 0.038 |
| Healthy nutrition and exercise | 27 | 52.94 | 31 | 60.78 | 1.933 | 0.164 |
| Personal hygiene and cleanliness of housing protects against infection | 32 | 62.75 | 37 | 72.55 | 12.829 | 0.001 |

Table (12) shows the knowledge about nutrition and methods of preventing TB as reported by the caregivers pre-post program. According to table, a low level of knowledge was reported to nutrition and methods of prevention of TB before implementation of the program. The highest level of knowledge was reported after implementation the program. Among the different items of prevention, caregivers reported their highest knowledge level in preprogram stage 62.75% & 52.95% related to personal hygiene and clean house environment and healthy nutrition as most preventive measures. There was statistically a significance increase of knowledge at the post test (72.55%& 7 60.78%), conversely the lowest knowledge in preprogram test was related to meal should contain protein, carbohydrate and fat 29.41%. this percentage increased in the post test 90.20%, this difference was statistically significance ($P<0.001$).

Part (IV): Patients and caregivers practice related to TB and methods of prevention pre – post program.

Table (13): Distribution of the practices related to isolation and treatment of TB as reported by the patients pre - post program.

| Practices | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|---|-------|--------|-------|--------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | (%) | N(51) | (%) | X ² | P-value |
| Isolation | | | | | | |
| There is a private room for patient | 34 | 66.67 | 34 | 66.67 | 0.000 | 1.000 |
| There are window for ventilation and the entry of the sun room | 50 | 98.04 | 51 | 100.00 | 1.010 | 0.315 |
| There is a private bathroom for patient | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| There is a private equipments for patient: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a special bottle or cup to drink water • eating utensils (plates, spoons) • tissue paper • private towel for patient • alcohol for cleansing hand • thermometer • face masks | 47 | 92.16 | 51 | 100.00 | 4.163 | 0.041 |
| | 47 | 92.16 | 51 | 100.00 | 4.163 | |
| | 51 | 100.00 | 51 | 100.00 | | |
| | 51 | 100.00 | 51 | 100.00 | | |
| | 5 | 9.80 | 42 | 82.35 | 54.019 | 0.001 |
| | 10 | 19.61 | 49 | 96.08 | 61.152 | |
| | 8 | 15.69 | 42 | 82.35 | 45.351 | |
| Wastebasket with cover + plastic bags of garbage | 49 | 96.08 | 51 | 100.00 | 2.040 | 0.153 |
| Patient's Practice toward treatment system | | | | | | |
| The patient taking treatment at the proper time: | 50 | 98.04 | 51 | 100.00 | 1.010 | 0.315 |
| If No (why):Forget | 1 | 100.00 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| The patient finds it difficult to access to medications for tuberculosis | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| the patient sometimes absent from the days of his specific follow-up: | 17 | 33.33 | 9 | 17.65 | 3.304 | 0.069 |
| If yes (why): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • forget • Does not like the days of follow-up | 1 | 5.88 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| | 16 | 94.12 | 9 | 100.00 | 0.551 | 0.458 |
| The patient follows breathing exercises to reduce the incidence of shortness of breath | 1 | 1.96 | 43 | 84.31 | 70.505 | 0.001 |

Table (13) shows the practice of isolation and treatment of TB as observed among the patients pre-post program. According to table, the low level of observed practice related to clean hand with alcohol and follow up breathing exercise 9.80% & 1.905 before implementation of program. The highest level percentage of practice was these observed after program implementation 82.35% & 84.31% this difference was statistically significance ($P < 0.001$).

Table (14): Distribution of the practices related to feeding design as reported by patients pre - post program.

| Practices | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | (%) | N(51) | (%) | X ² | P-value |
| Practice toward feeding design | | | | | | |
| The number of meals a day: | 19 | 37.25 | 9 | 17.65 | 14.885 | 0.001 |
| two meals | | | | | | |
| three meals | 25 | 49.02 | 42 | 82.35 | | |
| four meals | 7 | 13.73 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| The patient is eating meals at regular intervals: | | | | | | |
| Yes | 18 | 35.29 | 45 | 88.24 | 30.264 | 0.001 |
| Types of food consumed during the period of the disease: | | | | | | |
| The integrated meal contains (protein + carbohydrates + fats) | 5 | 9.80 | 42 | 82.35 | 54.128 | 0.001 |
| Boiled Food | 12 | 23.53 | 3 | 5.88 | | |
| Increasing foods containing proteins | 34 | 66.67 | 6 | 11.76 | | |
| Increasing foods containing vitamins | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Increasing foods containing carbohydrates | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Increasing foods containing fats | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Patient eats from the family food: | | | | | | |
| Yes | 18 | 35.29 | 45 | 88.24 | 30.264 | 0.001 |

Table (14) illustrated the practices about feeding design of studied patients, according to table 82.35% of the patients eating three meals per day, 88.24% eating meals at regular intervals, 82.35% eating the integrated meal contains (protein, carbohydrates and fats) and 88.24% eating from the family food after implementing the program. The results were a statistically significance differences regarding patient's practice toward feeding design before and after implementing the program ($P < 0.001$).

Table (15): Distribution of the practices related to methods of prevention as reported by patients pre - post program.

| Practices | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|--|-------|--------|-------|--------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | (%) | N(51) | (%) | X ² | P-value |
| Methods of prevention | | | | | | |
| The use of tissue to cover mouth and nose during coughing and sneezing | | | | | | |
| Yes | 51 | 100.00 | 51 | 100.00 | | |
| Get rid of the spit correctly in a Container or Plastic bag | | | | | | |
| Yes | 48 | 94.12 | 51 | 100.00 | 3.091 | 0.079 |
| Put of tissues, or disposed of immediately after use in plastic container and put it in the trash | | | | | | |
| Yes | 51 | 100.00 | 51 | 100.00 | | |
| Wash hands after coughing or sneezing | | | | | | |
| Yes | 6 | 11.76 | 43 | 84.31 | 53.769 | 0.001 |
| Wear clothes washed and clean continuously | | | | | | |
| Yes | 51 | 100.00 | 51 | 100.00 | | |
| Get rid of all discharges and waste in the toilet | | | | | | |
| Yes | 24 | 47.06 | 44 | 86.27 | 17.647 | 0.001 |

Table (15) showed the practices about methods of prevention among the observed patients, according to table all patients get rid of the spit correctly in a container or plastic bag, 84.31% wash hands after cough or sneeze and 86.27% get rid of all discharges and waste in the toilet after implementing the program. The difference in pre-post program about preventive measures of TB was a statistically significance ($P < 0.001$).

Table (16): Distribution of the practices related to isolation, treatment and nutrition as reported by caregivers pre - post program.

| Practices | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|---|-------|--------|-------|--------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | (%) | N(51) | (%) | X ² | P-value |
| Use of face masks and respiratory system when dealing with the patient | | | | | | |
| Yes | 9 | 17.65 | 42 | 82.35 | 42.706 | 0.001 |
| Open the window or use a fan to keep the flow of fresh air and ventilate the house | | | | | | |
| Yes | 51 | 100.00 | 51 | 100.00 | | |
| Work to reduce congestion and the rest of the family members contact with the patient | | | | | | |
| Yes | 30 | 58.82 | 46 | 90.20 | 13.215 | 0.001 |
| Helping the patient in the implementation of the treatment system | | | | | | |
| Yes | 50 | 98.04 | 51 | 100.00 | 1.010 | 0.315 |
| Encourage the patient and go with him days of follow-up | | | | | | |
| Yes | 50 | 98.04 | 51 | 100.00 | 1.010 | 0.315 |
| Attention to nutrition and the application of diet prescribed for the patient | | | | | | |
| Yes | 20 | 39.22 | 45 | 88.24 | 26.507 | 0.001 |
| IF No (Why): | | | | | | |
| Diet costly | 31 | 100.00 | 6 | 100.00 | | |
| Prevent the patient from bad habits (smoking – drinking water pipe) | | | | | | |
| Yes | 43 | 84.31 | 51 | 100.00 | 8.681 | 0.003 |

Table (16) portray the practices related to isolation, treatment and nutrition among the observed caregivers, according to table all caregivers improving their practices immediately after implementing the program as 100%, 100%, 100%, 90.20%, 82.24% and 82.35% respectively for helping the patient in the implementation of the treatment system, encourage the patient and go with him days for follow-up care, preventing the patient from bad habits (smoking- drinking water pipe) using face masks when dealing

with the patient, working to reduce congestion, and the rest of the family members contact with the patient, attention to nutrition and the application of diet prescribed for the patient and using face masks and respiratory system when dealing with the patient. The difference in pre-post program related to all the above items was statistically significance ($P < 0.001$).

Table (17): Distribution of the practices related to methods of prevention as reported by caregivers pre - post program.

| Practices | Pre | | Post | | Chi-square | |
|---|-------|--------|-------|--------|----------------|---------|
| | N(51) | % | N(51) | % | X ² | P-value |
| Not to participate in the use of patient tools | | | | | | |
| Yes | 22 | 43.14 | 51 | 100.00 | 40.521 | 0.001 |
| Wearing gloves when dealing with respiratory secretions and waste, and when cleaning the home | | | | | | |
| Yes | 5 | 9.80 | 42 | 82.35 | 54.019 | 0.001 |
| Washing the hands before and after dealing with patient: | | | | | | |
| Water only | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 60.563 | 0.001 |
| With soap and water | 51 | 100.00 | 13 | 25.49 | | |
| Alcohol cleansing only | 0 | 0.00 | 38 | 74.51 | | |
| Towel especially for the patient and each family member | | | | | | |
| Yes | 51 | 100.00 | 51 | 100.00 | | |
| Cleaning and washing patient's utensils separate far from the family's Tools | | | | | | |
| Yes | 20 | 39.22 | 45 | 88.24 | 26.507 | 0.001 |
| Cleaned hard surfaces with soap and water or use a common household detergent | | | | | | |
| Yes | 1 | 1.96 | 42 | 82.35 | 67.585 | 0.001 |
| Wash bed sheets, towels and the patient's clothing separate far from family's clothes | | | | | | |
| Yes | 20 | 39.22 | 42 | 82.35 | 19.906 | 0.001 |
| Collecting garbage or waste and disposed every day: | | | | | | |
| Used wastebasket and burned it | 0 | 0.00 | 45 | 88.24 | 0.703 | 0.402 |
| throw rubbish collected in front of the house | 42 | 82.35 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Throw rubbish collected in the canal water | 9 | 17.65 | 6 | 11.76 | | |
| Cleaning the house and the bathroom is used by the patient daily | | | | | | |
| Yes | 49 | 96.08 | 51 | 100.00 | 2.040 | 0.153 |
| When cleaning the home used: | | | | | | |
| Disinfectants as Pfennig and chlorine | 36 | 70.59 | 51 | 100.00 | 17.586 | 0.001 |
| Water only | 13 | 25.49 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| With soap and water | 2 | 3.92 | 0 | 0.00 | | |

Table (17) revealed the practices about methods of prevention of the studied caregivers, according to table all caregivers improving their practices

immediately after implementing the program as 100%, 88.24%, 88.24%, 82.35%, 82.35% and 82.35% respectively for avoid use of patient tools, cleaning the house and bathroom used by the patient daily by using disinfectants as pfennig and chlorine, cleaning and washing patient's utensils separate far from the family's tools and collecting garbage or waste and disposed of every day in wastebasket and burned it, wearing gloves when dealing with respiratory secretions and waste, and when cleaning the home, cleaned hard surfaces with soap and water or use a common household detergent and wash bed sheets, towels and the patient's clothing separate far from family's clothes. The difference in pre-post program in caregivers observed the practices of preventive measures when deal with patient was statistically significance ($P < 0.001$).

Figure (1) The total knowledge of the study subjects pre-post program.

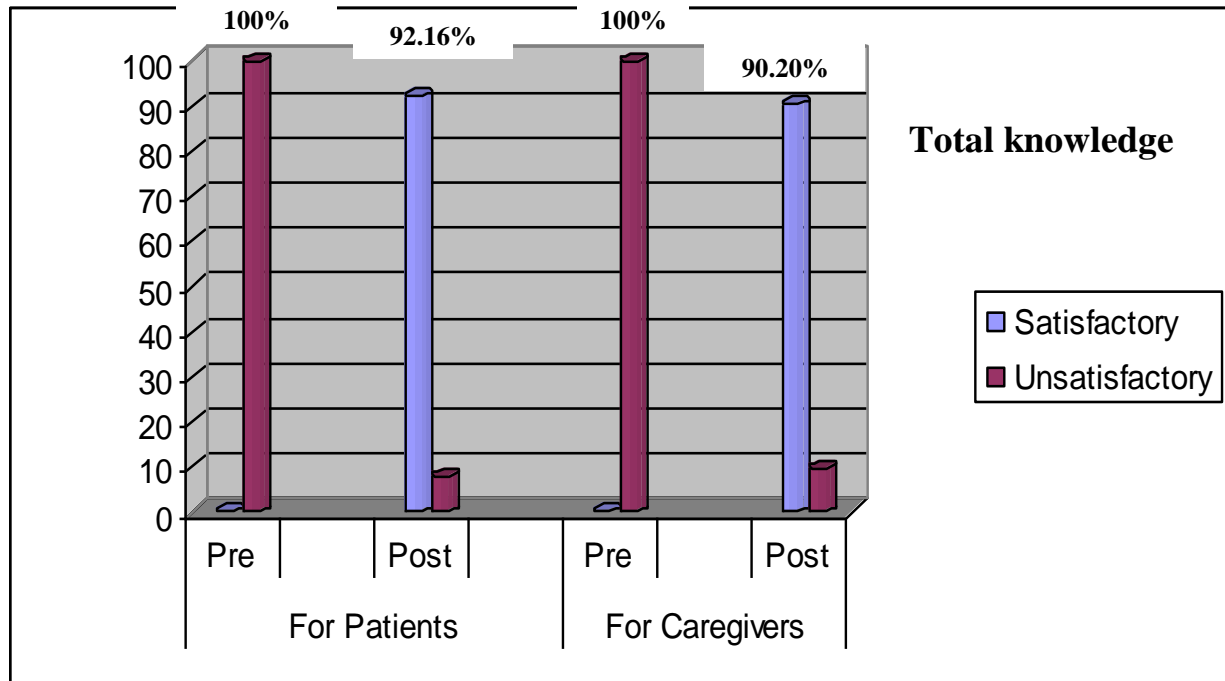


Figure (1) illustrated the total study subjects knowledge about TB pre-post program. The figure revealed that non of the study subjects had satisfactory total knowledge about TB pre program. The study subjects total satisfactory knowledge increased to reach 92.16% for the patient and 90.20% for caregivers pos program. This improvement was statistically significant difference in total caregivers practice pre-post program $P = 0.001$.

Table (18): Total knowledge as reported by the studied patients pre - post program.

| Total practices | | Adequate | | Inadequate | | Chi-square | |
|-----------------|-----------------------|----------|-------|------------|-------|----------------|---------|
| | | N | % | N | % | X ² | P-value |
| Pre | isolation and | 33 | 64.71 | 18 | 35.29 | 0.961 | 0.327 |
| | treatment system | 34 | 66.67 | 17 | 33.33 | 0.176 | 0.674 |
| | feeding design | 29 | 56.86 | 22 | 43.14 | 32.961 | <0.001* |
| | Methods of prevention | 46 | 90.20 | 5 | 9.80 | 24.020 | <0.001* |
| Post | isolation and | 47 | 92.16 | 4 | 7.84 | 32.961 | <0.001* |
| | treatment system | 43 | 84.31 | 8 | 15.69 | 36.255 | <0.001* |
| | feeding design | 48 | 94.12 | 3 | 5.88 | 36.255 | <0.001* |
| | Methods of prevention | 50 | 98.04 | 1 | 1.96 | 39.706 | <0.001* |

Table (18) portray the total patients practices in TB management and preventive methods pre-post program. It can be notice that there was a statistically significance differences between pre and post program in patient's total practices ($P < 0.001$).

Figure (2) The total practice of the caregivers pre-post program.

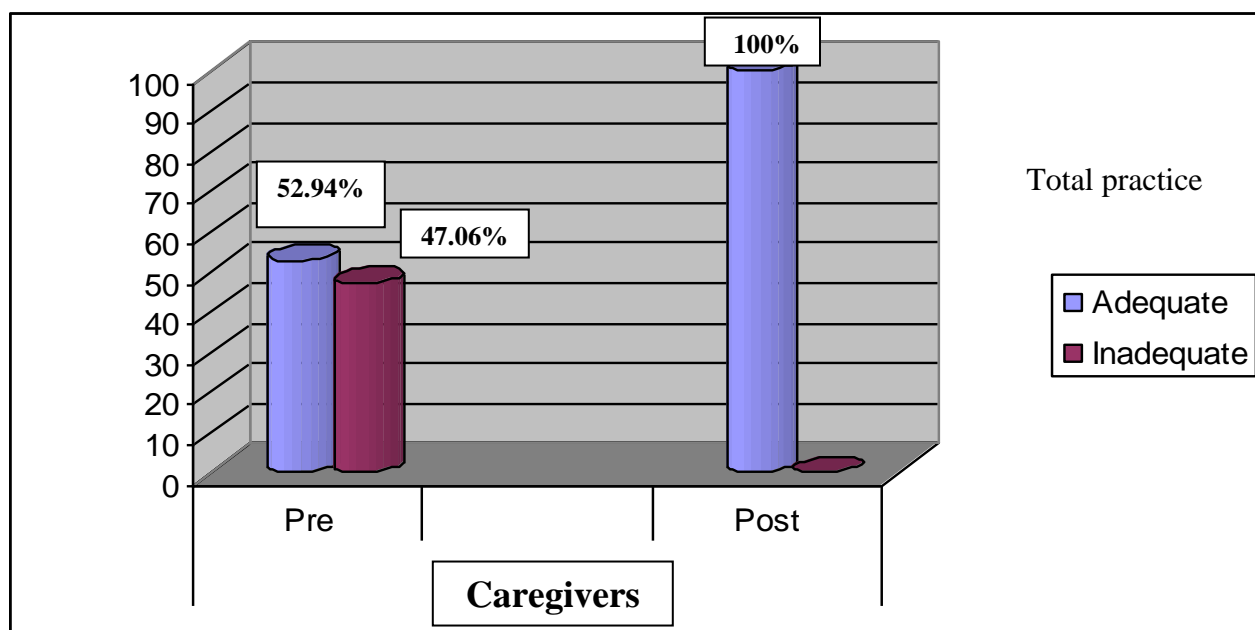


Figure (2) Portray the caregivers total practice pre-post program. The results revealed a significance statistical difference in total caregivers practice pre-post program $P = < 0.001$.

Table (19): Relation between total knowledge and socio-demographics characteristics of the studied patients .

| Socio- demographics characteristics | Knowledge | | | | Chi-square | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|-------|----------------|-------|----------------|---------|
| | Satisfactory | | Unsatisfactory | | X ² | P-value |
| | N | % | N | % | | |
| Gender: | 30 | 63.83 | 1 | 25.00 | 2.332 | 0.127 |
| Male | 17 | 36.17 | 3 | 75.00 | | |
| Female | | | | | | |
| Marital status | 14 | 29.79 | 2 | 50.00 | 0.746 | 0.689 |
| Single | 32 | 68.09 | 2 | 50.00 | | |
| Married | 1 | 2.13 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Widowed | | | | | | |
| Educational level: | 5 | 10.64 | 0 | 0.00 | 8.713 | 0.069 |
| illiterate | 9 | 19.15 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| primary education | 22 | 46.81 | 1 | 25.00 | | |
| secondary or | 7 | 14.89 | 3 | 75.00 | | |
| equivalent education | 4 | 8.51 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| intermediate certificate | | | | | | |
| Qualified high | | | | | | |
| Occupation: | 3 | 6.38 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.547 | 0.969 |
| Does not work | 9 | 19.15 | 1 | 25.00 | | |
| house wife | 13 | 27.66 | 1 | 25.00 | | |
| officer | 2 | 4.26 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| pension | 20 | 42.55 | 2 | 50.00 | | |
| free business | | | | | | |

Table (19) illustrated that no relation between patient's total knowledge and their socio-demographic characteristics, pre-post program ($P < 0.005$).

Table (20): Relation between total knowledge and socio- demographics characteristics of the studied caregivers.

| Socio-demographics characteristics | Knowledge | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-------|----------------|--------|----------------|---------|
| | Satisfactory | | Unsatisfactory | | Chi-square | |
| | N | % | N | % | X ² | P-value |
| Gender: | | | | | | |
| Male | 2 | 4.35 | 1 | 20.00 | 1.996 | 0.158 |
| Female | 44 | 95.65 | 4 | 80.00 | | |
| Marital status: | | | | | | |
| Single | 1 | 2.17 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.226 | 0.893 |
| Married | 44 | 95.65 | 5 | 100.00 | | |
| Widowed | 1 | 2.17 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Educational level: | | | | | | |
| Illiterate | 16 | 34.78 | 1 | 20.00 | 1.646 | 0.649 |
| primary education | 12 | 26.09 | 1 | 20.00 | | |
| secondary or equivalent education | 15 | 32.61 | 3 | 60.00 | | |
| intermediate certificate | 3 | 6.52 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Occupation: | | | | | | |
| Does not work | 1 | 2.17 | 0 | 0.00 | 4.419 | 0.220 |
| house wife | 39 | 84.78 | 3 | 60.00 | | |
| Officer | 5 | 10.87 | 1 | 20.00 | | |
| free business | 1 | 2.17 | 1 | 20.00 | | |

Table (20) showed that their no statistically significance relation between caregiver's knowledge and their socio-demographic characteristics ($P > 0.001$).

Table (21): Relation between practices about isolation and socio-demographics characteristics of the studied patients.

| Socio- demographics | Practices about isolation | | | | Chi-square | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|------------|-------|----------------|---------|
| | adequate | | Inadequate | | | |
| | N | % | N | % | X ² | P-value |
| gender : | | | | | | |
| Male | 21 | 63.64 | 10 | 55.56 | 0.319 | 0.572 |
| Female | 12 | 36.36 | 8 | 44.44 | | |
| Marital status: | | | | | 27.883 | <0.001* |
| single | 2 | 6.06 | 14 | 77.78 | | |
| married | 30 | 90.91 | 4 | 22.22 | | |
| Widowed | 1 | 3.03 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Educational level: | | | | | 4.071 | 0.397 |
| illiterate | 5 | 15.15 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| primary education | 6 | 18.18 | 3 | 16.67 | | |
| secondary or equivalent education | 15 | 45.45 | 8 | 44.44 | | |
| intermediate certificate | 5 | 15.15 | 5 | 27.78 | | |
| Qualified high | 2 | 6.06 | 2 | 11.11 | | |
| Occupation: | | | | | 9.684 | 0.046* |
| Does not work | 1 | 3.03 | 2 | 11.11 | | |
| house wife | 8 | 24.24 | 2 | 11.11 | | |
| officer | 12 | 36.36 | 2 | 11.11 | | |
| pension | 2 | 6.06 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| free business | 10 | 30.30 | 12 | 66.67 | | |

Table (21) presents the relation between the patient's practices related to isolation measures during TB pre-post program. It can be notice present of statistically significance relation between isolation practices of patients and their marital status and occupation only ($P < 0.005$).

Table (22): Relation between practices about treatment system and socio-demographics characteristics of the studied patients.

| Socio-demographics characteristics | Practices about treatment system | | | | Chi-square | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------|------------|-------|----------------|---------|
| | adequate | | inadequate | | | |
| | N | % | N | % | X ² | P-value |
| Gender: | 23 | 67.65 | 8 | 47.06 | 2.015 | 0.156 |
| Male | 11 | 32.35 | 9 | 52.94 | | |
| Female | 11 | 32.35 | 5 | 29.41 | 0.590 | 0.745 |
| Marital status | 22 | 64.71 | 12 | 70.59 | | |
| single | 1 | 2.94 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| married | 3 | 8.82 | 2 | 11.76 | 6.324 | 0.176 |
| Widowed | 8 | 23.53 | 1 | 5.88 | | |
| Educational level | 12 | 35.29 | 11 | 64.71 | | |
| illiterate | 7 | 20.59 | 3 | 17.65 | | |
| primary education | 4 | 11.76 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| secondary or equivalent education | 2 | 5.88 | 1 | 5.88 | 0.616 | 0.961 |
| intermediate certificate | 6 | 17.65 | 4 | 23.53 | | |
| Qualified high | 10 | 29.41 | 4 | 23.53 | | |
| Occupation | 1 | 2.94 | 1 | 5.88 | | |
| Does not work | 15 | 44.12 | 7 | 41.18 | | |
| house wife | | | | | | |
| officer | | | | | | |
| pension | | | | | | |
| Free business | | | | | | |

Table (22) illustrated the relation between the patient's practices related to TB treatment and their socio-demographic characteristics. The results revealed no relation between the patient's practices related to treatment and their socio-demographic characteristics ($P > 0.005$).

Table (23): Relation between practices about feeding design and socio-demographics characteristics of the studied patients.

| Socio-demographics characteristics | Feeding design | | | | Chi-square | |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-------|------------|-------|----------------|---------|
| | Adequate | | Inadequate | | X ² | P-value |
| | N | % | N | % | | |
| Gender | 15 | 51.72 | 16 | 72.73 | 2.315 | 0.128 |
| Male | | | | | | |
| Female | 14 | 48.28 | 6 | 27.27 | | |
| Marital status | 8 | 27.59 | 8 | 36.36 | 1.119 | 0.571 |
| single | | | | | | |
| married | 20 | 68.97 | 14 | 63.64 | | |
| Widowed | 1 | 3.45 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Educational level | 5 | 17.24 | 0 | 0.00 | 7.988 | 0.092 |
| Illiterate | | | | | | |
| primary education | 4 | 13.79 | 5 | 22.73 | | |
| secondary or equivalent education | 14 | 48.28 | 9 | 40.91 | | |
| intermediate certificate | 3 | 10.34 | 7 | 31.82 | | |
| Qualified high | 3 | 10.34 | 1 | 4.55 | | |
| Occupation | 2 | 6.90 | 1 | 4.55 | 8.398 | 0.078 |
| Does not work | | | | | | |
| house wife | 9 | 31.03 | 1 | 4.55 | | |
| Officer | 6 | 20.69 | 8 | 36.36 | | |
| Pension | 2 | 6.90 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Free business | 10 | 34.48 | 12 | 54.55 | | |

Table (23) showed there was no statistical relation between patient's nutrition practice their socio-demographic characteristics ($P > 0.005$).

Table (24): Relation between practices about methods of prevention and socio- demographics characteristics of the studied patients.

| socio- demographics characteristics | Methods of prevention | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|------------|-------|----------------|---------|
| | adequate | | inadequate | | Chi-square | |
| | N | % | N | % | X ² | P-value |
| Gender: | 28 | 60.87 | 3 | 60.00 | 0.001 | 0.970 |
| Male | | | | | | |
| Female | 18 | 39.13 | 2 | 40.00 | | |
| Marital status: | 14 | 30.43 | 2 | 40.00 | 0.277 | 0.871 |
| Single | | | | | | |
| Married | 31 | 67.39 | 3 | 60.00 | | |
| Widowed | 1 | 2.17 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Educational level: | 4 | 8.70 | 1 | 20.00 | 3.711 | 0.447 |
| illiterate | | | | | | |
| primary education | 7 | 15.22 | 2 | 40.00 | | |
| secondary or | 21 | 45.65 | 2 | 40.00 | | |
| equivalent education | 10 | 21.74 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| intermediate certificate | | | | | | |
| Qualified high | 4 | 8.70 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| Occupation | 2 | 4.35 | 1 | 20.00 | 6.744 | 0.150 |
| Does not work | 10 | 21.74 | 0 | 0.00 | | |
| house wife | 13 | 28.26 | 1 | 20.00 | | |
| officer | | | | | | |
| pension | 1 | 2.17 | 1 | 20.00 | | |
| Free business | 20 | 43.48 | 2 | 40.00 | | |

Table (24) stressed on there was no statistical significant relation between socio-demographic characteristics and their practice related to preventive measures in TB ($P > 0.005$).

Table (25): Relation between total practices and socio- demographics characteristics of the studied caregivers.

| Socio- demographics characteristics | Practices | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|--------|------------|-------|----------------|---------|
| | adequate | | inadequate | | Chi-square | |
| | N | % | N | % | X ² | P-value |
| Gender: | 2 | 7.41 | 1 | 4.17 | 0.241 | 0.623 |
| Male | | | | | | |
| Female | 25 | 92.59 | 23 | 95.83 | | |
| Marital status: | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 4.17 | 2.342 | 0.310 |
| single | | | | | | |
| married | 27 | 100.00 | 22 | 91.67 | | |
| Widowed | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 4.17 | | |
| Educational level: | 9 | 33.33 | 8 | 33.33 | 3.862 | 0.277 |
| illiterate | | | | | | |
| primary education | 7 | 25.93 | 6 | 25.00 | | |
| secondary or equivalent education | 11 | 40.74 | 7 | 29.17 | | |
| intermediate certificate | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 12.50 | | |
| Occupation: | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 4.17 | 3.502 | 0.320 |
| Does not work | | | | | | |
| house wife | 21 | 77.78 | 21 | 87.50 | | |
| officer | 4 | 14.81 | 2 | 8.33 | | |
| free business | 2 | 7.41 | 0 | 0.00 | | |

Table (25) presents the relation between caregiver's socio-demographic characteristics and their total practices when dealing with TB patients. It is noticed that there was significant statistical relation between the caregiver's socio-demographic characteristics and their total practices ($P>0.001$).