

Response to COVID-19 Outbreak in a Spine-Specialty Korean Medicine Training Hospital: A Short Report

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Abstract

Objective: The purpose of this paper is to report the potential challenges posed during the coronavirus pandemic in a Korean medicine hospital and reports its response strategy to prevent and lower the risk of spreading COVID-19.

Methods: This paper reports the main features of the response to COVID-19 implemented at a Korean medicine hospital located in the Gangnam district of metropolitan Seoul, South Korea.

Results: This paper provides information on how an integrative Korean medicine hospital handled the challenges it faced during the COVID-19 pandemic; including the mitigation of COVID-19 without reducing the number of treatments and admission, holding wide implications for other medical specialties of comparable circumstances in use of traditional medicine and manual medicine.

Conclusion: In this report, challenges posed during the COVID-19 pandemic at a Korean medicine hospital in the Gangnam district of metropolitan Seoul, South Korea, are reported. The response strategy to prevent and lower the risk of spreading COVID-19 whilst maintaining steady provision of treatments and patient admissions is included. This report may be beneficial for other medical institutions as a reference in implementing mitigation procedures during COVID-19.

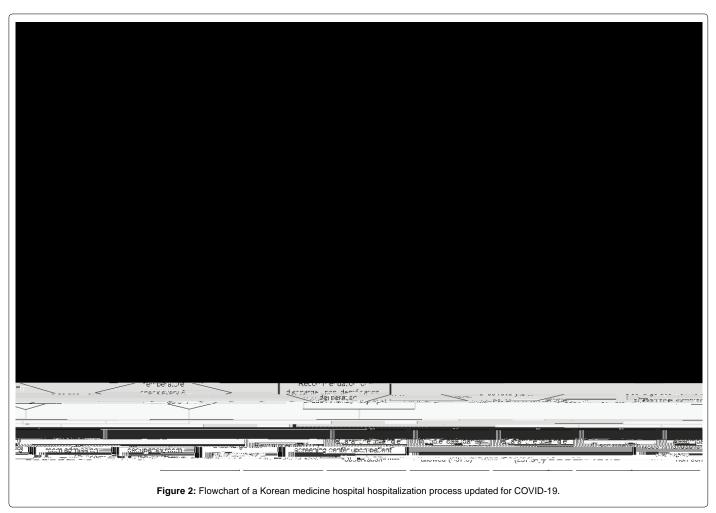
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