

Table 1 Demographic characteristics of the patients

| Index | Frequency | % | |
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| Gender (P=0.235) | | | |
| Male | 110 | 41.8% | |
| Female | 153 | 58.2% | |
| Age (yr) (P=629) | | | |
| <20 | 15 | 5.7% | |
| 21-35 | 68 | 25.9% | |
| 36-50 | 76 | 28.9% | |
| 51-65 | 56 | 21.3% | |
| >65 | 48 | 18.3% | |
| Residence (P=0.782) | | | |
| Rural | 188 | 71.5% | |
| Urban | 75 | 28.5% | |
| Educational level (P=0.091) | | | |
| Illiterate | 124 | 47.1% | |
| Primary school | 77 | 29.3% | |
| Secondary school | 38 | 14.4% | |
| University | 24 | 9.2% | |
| Postgraduate | 00 | 00% | |
| Occupation (P=0.550) | | | |
| Male | With job | 98 | 89.1% |
| | No job | 12 | 10.9% |
| Female | With Job | 28 | 18.3% |
| | Housewife | 125 | 81.7% |
| Marital status (P=0.662) | | | |
| Married | 180 | 68.4% | |
| Single | 54 | 20.5% | |
| Divorced | 5 | 1.9% | |
| Widowed | 24 | 9.1%% | |
| Duration of hospitalization (d) (P=0.779) | | | |
| Minimum | 1 | | |
| Maximum | 15 | | |
| Mean | 4 | | |
| Standard deviation | 2 | | |