

Table 1 Statements assessing knowledge, attitudes and practice of family planning among male Iranians and Afghan immigrants in south-west Tehran (scores calculated on the answers provided; an importance factor was also considered)

Category	Statement	Scoring	Importance factor
Knowledge	Explanation of family planning	Complete = 2, incomplete = 1, don't know = 0	3
Knowledge	Acquaintance with contraceptive methods (10 methods)	Named method without help = 2, recognized method after providing help = 1, could not recognize = 0	1
Knowledge	Explanation of method of use for oral contraceptives	Correct = 2, don't know = 1, wrong answer = 0	2
Attitude	What is the youngest suitable age for pregnancy in women?	> 20 years = 2, 19–20 in women?	1
Attitude	What is the highest suitable age for pregnancy in women?	≤ 35 years = 2, 36–39 = 1, other = 0	1
Attitude	Who is the person responsible for family planning?	Both partners = 4, either partner = 2, no one = 0, don't know = 0	3
Attitude	What should a couple do for emergency contraception?	Correct = 2, wrong = 0, don't know = 1	2
Practice	Former use of contraceptive methods	Permanent methods = 3, reliable temporary methods = 2, unreliable methods = 1	1
Practice	Use of contraception at the time of the study	Yes = 1, no = 0	3
Practice	Contraceptive method used at the time of the study	Yes = 1 (permanent method × 3, reliable temporary method × 2, unreliable method × 1), no = 0	2
Practice	Use of contraception before pregnancy	Yes = 1, no = 2	3
Practice	Contraceptive method used before pregnancy	Yes = 1 (permanent method × 3, reliable temporary method × 2, unreliable method × 1), no = 0	2