Kshara sutra therapy: A minimal invasive para surgical method for treatment of sacrococcygeal pilonidal sinus (nadi vrana)

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Pilonidal sinus is a small hole or "tunnel" in the skin. It usually develops in the cleft of the buttocks where the buttocks separate. There are several treatment options described and practiced in the treatment of Sacrococcygeal Pilonidal Sinus. In Ayurveda, this disease is described as Nadi vrana. Our observations demonstrated efficacy of Ksharasutra therapy-A minimal invasive para surgical method in Sacrococcygeal Pilonidal Sinus (Nadi vrana) disease. 20 patients were treated (3 women and 17 men) with parasurgical sinus disease (Nadi vrana) by Ksharasutra therapy. All patients were treated on an outpatient basis in the minor Ksharasutra operation theater in ACRI, New Delhi. The mean age was 32 years (18–60). The median length of symptoms was eight months. In the 1 year of mean follow-up period, the disease recurred in 2 patients. This treatment procedure was well-tolerated by all the patients. Time off work was on average two days with an MSD of 1.98 and SD of 0.686485. No patient had skin necrosis or any other complications during the therapy. Recurrence of the disease in two patients was found. Mean time required for wound healing in week was 11.8 with SD 2.501999. 2 (10%) patients had wound infection.

Ksharasutra therapy is an excision technique for pilonidal sinus (Nadi vrana) which is performed in negligible complication like destruction of peripilinidal adipose tissue and skin and recurrence rate. Hence Ksharasutra therapy can be used as a treatment option in Sacrocoocygeal Pilonidal Sinus (Nadi vrana).

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