

Annotation #1

This article, titled *Gender disparities in clinical practice: are there any solutions? Scoping review of interventions to overcome or reduce gender bias in clinical practice*, revolved around the authors' research trying to determine if there are any possible solutions to the gender biases that exist in the medical world. To figure out if there are viable results, the researchers included and compared studies that had implemented various potential solutions and perused the collected data to reach their conclusions. The studies varied according to health issues, country, description of intervention, etc. There were 22 different types of interventions being researched and most of them had varying successes in attempting to make the healthcare field less gender biased, but four of the studies were unable to accomplish this. Unfortunately, the article did not go into too much detail regarding the different types of interventions that had successes. All that the author mentioned was that they varied in terms of which parts of the staff were included in the intervention, if only females lead them, only for women, the setting for the intervention, etc.

I think this article focused more on the potential solutions for ways to intervene in the gender bias that permeates the healthcare field, but it did not go into detail about what each of these studies did. When I first read the introduction, I was excited because I thought that this was going to be a very informative text that helped narrow down how sexism in healthcare can be addressed in a beneficial manner. As aforementioned, this article did not accomplish that well. It was still a helpful article to read however because it proves that people are testing potential solutions and that these problems within clinical practices are actively being investigated.

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