

Abstract

Objective: The present study examined sexual maladjustment, including sexual aversion, sexual preoccupation, homosexuality and intimacy difficulty, among Chinese psychiatric patients with a significant level of borderline personality pathology. **Methods:** 845 psychiatric patients completed the CPAI-2, CPDI and CCMI. Patients who scored high in the BPD Screening-index and endorsed five core BPD features were considered as patients with significant BPD pathology. **Results:** Patients with significant BPD pathology reported significantly more symptoms of sexual maladjustment than patients without significant BPD pathology. The BPD group showed significantly more problems in sexual aversion and homosexuality, sexual preoccupation, and intimacy difficulty. Intimacy difficulty was shown to be the most common sexual maladjustment among BPD patients. Also, significantly poorer interpersonal relationships were found among patients with significant BPD pathology comparing to patients without significant BPD pathology. **Discussion:** Possible explanations for the elevated problems in sexual maladjustment among BPD patients were discussed.