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Abstract	<p>Background: Affective Doctor - Patient communication is vital part in clinical practice and There are many barriers to good communication in the doctor patient relationship, including patients' anxiety and fear, doctors' burden of work, and unrealistic patient expectations. Good doctor-patient communication offers patients tangible benefits.</p> <p>The objective: to determine the specific barriers of communication between doctor and patient to achieve shared understanding and shared decision making.</p> <p>Method: Study design: A descriptive cross-sectional study Setting: The study was conduct in AL-Kindy Teaching Hospital for the period from April till the September 2015.</p> <p>The Target population: the specialist doctors in the medicine department and surgery department in (Al-Kindy teaching hospital and patient receiving treatment in hospital. The Sample size: The total random sample were 81 specialist doctors from 94 in the (medicine and surgery) department. And patient receiving treatment in hospital selected random sample.</p> <p>Results: The response rate 86.17% , male 61(76.5%), female 20 (23.5%) ,mean age (45+ SD7.5) ,the specialty from the medicine and surgery department medicine (33), surgery (48), total no. of patients = 100(from out patients), male (59), female (41), the high percentage of the most serious barriers [Patient does not want to participate 43%] the low percentage was[Difficulty understand diagnosis 4%].</p> <p>Conclusion: The greatest and most serious barriers in communication Patient does not want to participate in a partnership with doctor, and There is association between less communication barriers and gender of doctors for the benefit of female doctors, A significant dependence is noticed between specialty of doctors and less communication barriers with their patients for the benefit of medical specialties rather than surgical ones.</p> <p>Key words: barriers, inhibition, communication.</p>