

Identify the Blood Pressure Parameters and Associated Risk Factors Among Teaching Faculty



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ABSTRACT:

Back ground of the study: Identifying the risk factors leading to hypertension can help explain why some populations are at a greater risk for developing hypertension than others. The present study seeks to identify the association between the risk factors of hypertension in 35- to 65-year-old participants in south India .

Methods: This cross-sectional survey was conducted on 100 teaching faculty working at Paavai engineering college, Namakkal we assessed the direct and indirect effects of factors associated with blood pressure.

Results: Socioeconomic status (SES), physical activity, kidney diseases, cardio vascular diseases, diabetes and family history of hypertension had a diverse impact on the blood pressure, directly and (or) indirectly. The standardized total effect of SES, physical activity, kidney diseases, cardio vascular diseases were -0.09 vs. -0.14, -0.04 vs. -0.04, 0.13 vs. 0.13 and 0.24 vs. 0.15 in men and women, respectively. Diabetes had a direct relationship with the blood pressure in women (0.03).

KEYWORDS: Blood pressure, Risk factors, kidney diseases, Diabetes, cardio vascular diseases

INTRODUCTION

Hypertension is one of the most important risk factors for chronic heart diseases The incidence of hypertension has increased over the last few decades; the number of adults with hypertension has increased from 595 million in 1975 to 1.13 billion in 2015. The prevalence of hypertension is predicted to increase 29.2% by 2025 and this increase has largely occurred in low-to middle-income countries The relationship between high blood pressure and cardiovascular disease and its mortality has been addressed in a number of observational studies Hypertension shows an independent relationship with the incidence of several cardiovascular events such as stroke, myocardial infarction, heart failure and peripheral arterial disease as well as kidney disease. This relationship is shown for all ages and in all ethnic groups

Hypertension has a wide range of risk factors including, genetic, behavioral and environmental risks Identifying the risk factors associated with hypertension explains why some populations are at a greater risk for developing hypertension than others. Studies have shown that, after adjustments for age and gender, hypertension are associated with body mass index (BMI), the level of physical activity and genetic factors, smoking, high cholesterol, diabetes mellitus (DM), and other lifestyle factors [Nonetheless, these risk factors have not yet been simultaneously examining the inter correlation of all contributing factors. However, Few studies have been published, addressing the interrelationship between factors associated with mean of blood pressure using structural equation modeling

Statement of pProblem

A study to identify the blood pressure parameters and associated risk factors among teaching faculty working at Paavai engineering college, Namakkal

Objectives

- To identify the blood pressure parameters and associated risk factors among teaching faculty
- To find the association between associated risk factors with their demographic variables

Inclusion criteria

Participants who are

- Willing to participate in the study.

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- Available during data collection.
- Working as a teaching faculty

Research methodology

Research Approach and Research Design : A descriptive study design with cross sectional survey approach.

Setting of the study: Paavai engineering college, Namakkal

Population : All the teaching faculty

Sampling Technique: Purpose sampling technique was used for the present study.

Sample size : 100 teaching faculty

Developmental Tool: The tool consistent of items regarding the demographic data and physical assessments.

METHOD OF DATA COLLECTION

Ethical Consideration

- Written permission was obtained from the chairman Paavai group of institution. After the only consent will obtain from each sample prior to data collecting process. After explaining the purpose of the data collection procedure, prior to interview self introduction and purpose of interview was clearly explained to each faculty to obtain maximum cooperation, and consent from them.

Result:

Socioeconomic status (SES), physical activity, kidney diseases, cardio vascular diseases, diabetes and family history of hypertension had a diverse impact on the blood pressure, directly and (or) indirectly. The standardized total effect of SES, physical activity, kidney diseases, cardio vascular diseases were -0.09 vs. -0.14, -0.04 vs. -0.04, 0.13 vs. 0.13 and 0.24 vs. 0.15 in men and women, respectively. Diabetes had a direct relationship with the blood pressure in women (0.03). highly significant association was found between risk factors with their demographic variables

Table 1: Demographic features

| | Female | Males | P value |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------|
| Population, n (%) | 53(52.6%) | 47(47.4%) | |
| Age (years) | 47.53 ± 8.47 | 46.93 ± 8.10 | < 0.001 |
| HTN drug, n(%) | | | |
| Yes | 14(14.8%) | 7(7.5%) | < 0.001 |
| No | 36(85.2%) | 43(92.5%) | |
| Diabetes, n(%) | | | |
| Yes | 12(11.8%) | (8%) | < 0.001 |
| No | 48(88.2%) | 42(92.0%) | |
| Family history of hypertension | | | |
| None | 12(48.1%) | 11(42.5%) | |
| Second degree | 13(5%) | 12(4.30%) | < 0.001 |
| First degree | 25(46.8%) | 27(52.9%) | |
| Blood pressure | | | |
| SBP | 108.31 ± 17.01 | 110.73 ± 16.07 | < 0.001 |
| DBP | 69.90 ± 9.92 | 71.38 ± 9.59 | |

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Table:2 Association between associated risk factors with their selected demographic variables

(n = 100)

| S. No. | Demographic Variables | Associated risk factors of blood pressure | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---|-------------|----------------|------------|
| | | Df | Table value | F ² | p-value |
| Biographic variables | | | | | |
| 1 | Age in years | 15 | 24.996 | 186.104 | 0.000*** S |
| 2 | Sex | 15 | 24.996 | 181.607 | 0.000***S |
| 3 | Family history of hypertension | 10 | 18.307 | 155.714 | 0.000*** S |

CONCLUSION

With regard to control of high blood pressure, public health interventions must target obesity, lifestyle and other risk related to nutritional status such as hyperlipidemia and hyperglycemia.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Comparative study can be done between the rural and urban population.
- A similar study can be replicated on a large sample to generalize the findings by using various instruction material.

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