

# LIFESTYLE AND NUTRITION FOR DISEASE PREVENTION AND HEALTH

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## ABSTRACT

Lifestyle illnesses are diseases whose occurrence is mostly based on the everyday habits of people and are the result of an unsuitable interaction between individuals and their environment. These diseases are characterized by the fact that their occurrence is primarily dependent on these factors. The term "lifestyle diseases" refers to conditions that are associated with a person's way of living. The illnesses in question are not contagious to other people. They are brought on by a lack of physical activity, unhealthy eating, drinking alcohol, substance use disorders, and smoking tobacco, all of which can lead to cardiovascular disease, stroke, obesity, type II diabetes, and lung cancer. It is possible that in the near future, lifestyle diseases will have an effect on the expense of health care as well as the workforce. The cost of treatment for various non-communicable diseases can often be high. Receiving primary prevention and being able to recognise the early indications of these non-communicable illnesses can be extremely important for the health of the patient. If people do not make changes to their lifestyle habits, it is anticipated that the prevalence of the diseases linked to lifestyle choices would rise with time.

Keyword- Lifestyle diseases, nutrition, cardiovascular disease, stroke, obesity, diabetes, lung cancer.

## INTRODUCTION

Some of the commenters on this thread continue to make a distinction between diseases that are associated with getting older, diseases that are associated with civilization or diseases that are associated with wealth. Because the increased incidence of certain diseases, such as diabetes, dental caries, and asthma, are not related to advancing age, the terms "age-related disease" and "adult-onset disease" cannot be accurately used interchangeably for all diseases. Diabetes, dental caries, and asthma are some examples of diseases that are more prevalent in young populations living the "western" way. The development of chronic illnesses, such as heart disease, stroke, diabetes, obesity, metabolic syndrome, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and some forms of cancer, are linked to long-term exposure to three modifiable lifestyle behaviors': smoking, an unhealthy diet, and physical inactivity. These risk variables are comparable to those that are connected with illnesses brought on by a sedentary lifestyle, which all have risk factors in common with one another.

Formerly known as the diseases of industrialized countries, also known as "Western diseases" or "diseases of affluence," these conditions are now known on a global scale as non-communicable and chronic diseases, which fall under the category of degenerative diseases.

The rising incidence of chronic diseases has emerged as a significant obstacle for improving public health on a global scale. According to projections made by the World Health Organization (WHO) in 2005, chronic diseases were to blame for 61 percent of all deaths, or 35 million, as well as 49 percent of the global burden of disease. It is expected that by the year 2030, the proportion of total worldwide mortality attributed to chronic diseases would have climbed to 70 percent, while the global burden of disease will have reached 56 percent. This prediction is based on current trends and projections.

The General Assembly of the World Health Organization enacted a resolution in the year 2000 about the prevention and control of chronic diseases. It issued a call to action to all of its Member States, encouraging all of them to implement national policy frameworks that take into consideration both healthy public policies as well as fiscal and taxation measures oriented towards healthy and unhealthy goods and services.

The combination of four healthy lifestyle factors—maintaining a healthy weight, exercising often, following a healthy diet, and abstaining from smoking—appears to be related with a connection with as much as an 80 percent drop in the probability of having the most widespread and severe chronic conditions. It is of the highest significance to start the process of teaching vital lessons concerning healthy living as early on in a person's life as possible since the foundations of these behaviors typically take root throughout the formative phases of a person's life. This serves to strengthen the recommendations that are already being made by the public health community about the upkeep of good lifestyle behaviors.

Despite the fact that there is extensive understanding of the benefits of leading a healthy lifestyle, only a tiny number of people stick to such a routine, and the percentages are actually declining. This is despite the fact that there is widespread awareness of the benefits of maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Regrettably, a rather poor degree of awareness regarding the relationship between one's way of life and one's health exists among the general community. The notion that a change in one's lifestyle is a substantial contributor to the development of chronic diseases as the primary causes of increased morbidity and death is unknown to a great number of individuals. The manner in which an individual chooses to live their life is generally considered to be a personal business.

Changes in one's way of life, even if they aren't dramatic but are still within one's power to bring about, have the potential to have a big impact not just on the individual but also on the population as a whole.

A comprehensive public health approach to tobacco control effectively inhibits the beginning of tobacco use and promotes its cessation, through a range of measures including tax and price policy, restrictions on tobacco advertising, promotion, and sponsorship, requirements for packing and labelling, educational campaigns, restrictions on smoking in public places, and cessation of support services. These measures all contribute to reducing the number of people who start using tobacco and increasing the number of people who successfully quit using tobacco. The detrimental consequences of tobacco usage on public health are the motivation behind the implementation of these preventative measures.

Additionally, immediate action is required to implement effective public health initiatives in order to encourage increased physical activity and improve people's health all over the world. This should be done in order to fulfil the requirements of the World Health Organization (WHO). The responsibility of persuading people to participate in physical activity is one that should be shared between individuals and governing bodies alike. On the other hand, an individual's tendency to participate in physical activity is influenced not just by

their surrounds but also by the policies of their nation, both in terms of sports and leisure facilities. This is because an individual's surroundings have a greater influence on their likelihood to engage in physical activity. It is imperative that activities be coordinated across a broad variety of domains, such as health, athletics, educational and cultural policy, the media and information, urban planning, transportation, local governments, and financial and economic planning. To achieve this objective, the World Health Organization (WHO) is providing its member states with evidence-based advocacy on the health, social, and economic advantages of healthy lifestyles that is provided on a national scale.

#### A WHO report from 2002 states:

- In the year 2001, chronic diseases were responsible for roughly 46 percent of the disease burden that was experienced all over the world and nearly 60 percent of the total 56.5 million deaths that were registered all over the world.
- It is expected that by the year 2020, the proportion of the burden borne by NCDs would have grown to 57%. This prediction is based on the following: It has been acknowledged for a lengthy amount of time that nutrition plays a vital role in the onset of chronic diseases.
- Beginning in the middle of the twentieth century, a massive shift has been taking place all over the world. This shift has resulted in significant shifts in the food that people eat, initially in industrialized regions and more recently in developing countries. The effects of globalization have resulted in these changes.
- Diets that are rich in calories and contain a large quantity of foods originating from animals have quickly replaced diets that were primarily focused on plant foods.
- Rich-fat diets have quickly overtaken diets that were primarily focused on plant foods.
- Not just the food, but also the lack of physical activity, which is now viewed as an increasingly important predictor of health, is the result of a steady change in lifestyle patterns towards more sedentary behaviors. Not only is the food bad for you, but the lack of physical activity is bad for you.
- Physical activity is vital for keeping a good energy balance and a healthy weight. This is because it is one of the most significant elements in determining the amount of energy that is expended, and exercise is crucial for maintaining a healthy weight.



- A contributing element in energy excess, overweight, and obesity is the imbalanced consumption of foods that are high in energy (sugar, starch, and/or fat) but low in essential nutrients. This type of eating pattern is associated with poor dietary choices that can lead to weight gain.
- The link between the amount of energy that is consumed and the amount of physical activity, in addition to the quality of the food, are key elements of nutrition-related chronic illness. This is true regardless of whether or not the person is overweight..

#### Nutritional Genomics' Emergence

Nutrigenomics, which is the application of genomics to the study of nutrition, enables the discovery of connections between specific nutrients and genetic characteristics, such as how specific meals or food additives influence gene expression. This is made possible as a result of the application of genetics to the study of nutrition. This is now feasible due to the fact that genetics may be applied to the field of nutrition research. This area of study in the scientific world is referred to as "nutrigenomics." The research of nutrigenomics has made it possible to increase one's understanding of the ways in which one's food may have an impact on one's metabolic pathways, as well as the ways in which this process may be hampered in diseases that are connected with one's diet. The study of nutrigenomics has also made it possible to improve one's understanding of the ways in which one's food can have an effect on one's metabolic pathways. It makes an attempt to understand the mechanisms that are responsible for these genetic predispositions, uncover the genome-wide genes that influence the risk of diet-related disorders, and examine the effects that nutrition has on the full genome.

These are the goals of this research. In addition, nutrigenomics will be able to identify the genes that control physiological responses to diet, the genes whose relatively minor variations, which are typically referred to as polymorphisms, may have significant effects for nutrition, and the components that are regulated by the environment in which the body is located.

#### **OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY**

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- 2. To the study of the Nutritional Genomics' Emergence

#### A personalized nutritional plan that is beneficial should be followed.

Diet has only lately been connected to a range of different illnesses and ailments, including some malignancies, diabetes, cataracts, macular degeneration, cholelithiasis, kidney stones, dental disease, and birth abnormalities. It has been known for a long time that diet can impact the risk of cardiovascular disease (CVD), although this association is relatively new. Diet has been known to play a role in increasing or decreasing the risk of cardiovascular disease for some time now among medical experts. Following is a list that discusses six aspects of one's eating habits for which there is sufficient evidence indicating substantial consequences for one's health.

In the diet, saturated and trans fats have to be replaced with unsaturated fats, particularly sources of omega-3 fatty acids, as much as possible. Saturated fats should be replaced with unsaturated fats in order to reduce the risk of coronary artery disease (CAD), which can be accomplished by reducing blood levels of low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol. Consuming polyunsaturated fats, such as long-chain omega-3 fish oils and most likely alpha-linoleic acid, the principal omega-3 fatty acid found in plants, is another way to prevent ventricular arrhythmias. Polyunsaturated fats include long-chain omega-3 fish oils. This will lower the chance of developing coronary artery disease, which can be devastating. Individuals who had the highest intake of alpha-linoleic acid were found to have a risk of myocardial infarction that was eighty percent lower than the average risk among those who participated in a case-control study that was carried out in Costa Rica, a country in which the consumption of fish was extremely low. A lot of people don't get enough omega-3 fatty acids in their diets, especially if they don't eat a lot of fish and the major oils, they consume aren't high in omega-3 fatty acids (such as partly hydrogenated soybean, corn, sunflower, or palm oil). This is especially evident in communities where there is a relatively low diet of fish. These discoveries have substantial ramifications as a result of the fact that adjustments in the kind of oil used for the preparation of food are often not difficult to execute and do not entail considerable additional expenditures.

When compared with the effects that saturated fat has on blood lipids and the association it has with the risk of coronary artery disease, the effects that trans fatty acids have on blood lipids are significantly more detrimental. Trans fatty acids are produced when vegetable oils are subjected to a process known as partial hydrogenation. This process has the effect of raising the viscosity of blood lipids, which in turn raises the risk of coronary artery disease. Because partially hydrogenated soybean oil is one of the types of fats that can be purchased for one of the lowest prices, the consumption of trans fats is significant in a great number of less developed countries. Vegetable ghee, which has largely replaced traditional ghee as the major type of ghee in South Asia, contains around fifty percent trans fatty acids. This is because vegetable ghee is made from vegetable oils rather than animal fats. Even when other risk factors are included, having a diet that is rich in trans-fat and low in polyunsaturated fat has been shown to lead to an elevated risk of type 2 diabetes.

Ensuring a proper quantity of folic acid and consumption of fruits and vegetables will help in staying healthy. Both of these things will help you stay healthy. There is strong evidence to show that increasing one's diet of fruits and vegetables will lessen one's chance of developing coronary artery disease as well as the risk of suffering a stroke. There is some evidence that larger intakes of potassium are responsible for this benefit; however, it is also possible that folic acid plays a role. Folic acid supplements reduce the probability of having a baby born with a neural tube defect. Folic acid is beneficial in awarding against birth abnormalities. It has been demonstrated that taking a multivitamin, which should include folic acid, can reduce the risk of getting colon cancer and possibly breast cancer as well. In addition, there is a significant body of data to show that a low consumption of folic acid is associated with an increased risk of cardiovascular disease as well as various types of cancer, have important implications for many parts of the developing world. In many regions of the country, the consumption of fruit and vegetables is not nearly as high as it should be. An alarming estimate indicates that about half of the adult population in northern China suffers from folic acid deficiency.

The body functions best when it consumes cereals that are high in fiber and contain whole grains. Consuming whole grains, which contain a significant amount of fiber, is the most beneficial form of grain consumption. To begin, it has been demonstrated over and over again that a higher intake of fiber from cereal products is associated with a lower risk of coronary artery disease (CAD) and type 2 diabetes. This might be due to the fiber itself as well as the vitamins and minerals that are found in whole grains in their natural state. Consuming a large quantity of refined carbohydrates is associated with an increased risk of cardiovascular disease and type 2 diabetes, and it can also make the symptoms of metabolic syndrome worse. Second, it appears that increasing one's consumption of dietary fiber makes it simpler to both maintain a healthy weight and avoid constipation. This benefit may be achieved by raising one's activity level.

Cut back on the number of sugary foods and drinks eaten on a daily basis. Sugar, including free sugars refined from sugarcane or sugar beets as well as high-fructose corn sweeteners, has no nutritional benefit except from the quantity of calories it contains. This is true for all types of sugar. People who are at a higher risk of becoming overweight are more likely to have health problems as a result of their consumption of sugar. In addition, sugar contributes to the glycemic load of the diet, which in turn aggravates the metabolic syndrome and is associated with an increased risk of coronary artery disease (CAD) and diabetes. Although lower intakes are preferable in most cases due to the negative effects on metabolism and the empty calories, the maximum amount of energy that can come from sugar has been indicated by the World Health organization (WHO) as being 10 percent.

Reduction in the number of extra calories consumed regardless of the source is equally important. Given the substantial role that obesity and excess weight play in the development of a broad variety of degenerative disorders, it is of the highest importance to avoid from consuming an excessive amount of energy, regardless of the source, in order to prevent oneself from gaining an unhealthy amount of weight. In light of the fact that the government lays less limitations on the calories that may be received from liquids in comparison to the calories that can be taken from solid meals, consumption of sugar-sweetened beverages should be reduced to the greatest extent feasible.

Limit sodium intake. The fundamental argument in favor of putting limitations on the amount of sodium that one takes in is that these restrictions should be based on the effect that salt has on blood pressure, which is a

significant factor in the risk of cardiovascular disease and stroke. The World Health organization (WHO) suggests a maximum daily consumption of 1.7 grammes of sodium, which is equivalent to 5 grammes of salt. This recommendation can be found in their food guidelines.

Consideration should be given to the health of the population while developing our cities and communities.

The comprehensive review of recent research on urban planning that was carried out by Handy and colleagues (2002) came to the conclusion that a combination of urban design, land-use patterns, and transportation systems that promote walking and biking will assist contribute to the creation of communities that are more physically active, healthier, and more livable. This was the conclusion that was reached by the researchers. People who live in densely populated cities that have been built around public transportation rather than away from it are significantly more likely to take public transportation, walk, or ride a bicycle compared to people who live in other places. This is especially true of cities that have been constructed around light rail systems. People who live in cities with a high population density have a lower prevalence of obesity and a lower risk of developing hypertension.

People who live in places where walking is made easier appear to have better mental health and are more likely to know their neighbors, take part in social activity, and participate in the political process. Additionally, people who live in areas that are conducive to walking are more likely to be physically active. On the other side, urban sprawl has been linked to reductions in both mental health and social capital, in addition to increases in anger and aggravation caused by long commuting hours. This is because urban sprawl leads to longer commute times. Because they are unable to walk to places of interest and many of them are unable to drive, elderly people are particularly susceptible to the negative effects that are caused by sprawl. This kind of isolation is harmful to one's bodily as well as emotional health and should be avoided at all costs.

Concerns over urban expansion and development that is not sustainable gave rise to a movement known as "smart growth." This movement is asking governments all over the globe to rethink the way in which they build new areas and rehabilitate older suburbs and cities. Urban sprawl is one of the primary causes of these concerns. Examples of smart growth principles include the creation of pedestrian-friendly neighborhoods in beautiful communities that have a distinct sense of place, the implementation of a philosophy that directs development towards existing communities, and the preservation of open space. Including a variety of housing and transit alternatives, as well as mixing land uses, employing compact building designs, and using compact building designs are all examples of smart growth concepts. Incorporating public health professionals into the planning and design stages of transportation systems as well as building construction is becoming an increasingly common practice. The results of a health impact assessment that was conducted in Edinburgh on the numerous options that were being examined for transport policy highlighted the effects that various solutions had on both the wealthier and the less fortunate sectors of the society. The evaluation was carried out on the many alternatives that were being evaluated for transport policy. Its ideas included boosting expenditures on pedestrian safety, developing a citywide cycling network, expanding the number of greenways and park-and-ride programmers, and increasing the number of bus lines or rail transport alternatives. Since then, these proposals have been put into action. People who walk, then people who ride bicycles, then people who take public transport, then people who work in the shipping and delivery industry, and finally people who drive their own cars should be given priority when it comes to making improvements to the environment. The adoption of design guidelines for buildings has the potential to result in increases in levels of physical activity. This possibility exists because of the potential benefits of increased levels of physical activity. People are encouraged to use the stairs by doing things like increasing the attractiveness of the facilities themselves and also by elevating the signage that supports the usage of the stairs. Both of these things may be done to encourage people to use the stairs.

#### Reducing the cost of nutritious meals while simultaneously increasing people's ability to purchase them.

It is conceivable for governmental laws on how particular foods should be manufactured, imported, distributed, and marketed to have an influence on both the prices at which these foods are offered for sale and the ease with which they may be obtained. Two potential areas where governmental action might be directed are first, the concentration of agricultural research, and second, the kinds of agricultural product that are fostered through extension services. The health of the general population is less likely to deteriorate if policies are enacted that encourage the cultivation and consumption of nutritious foods such fruits, vegetables, nuts, legumes, whole grains, and healthy oils. The vast majority of policies encourage individuals to consume more grains, dairy products, sweets, and meat.

Extending access to a variety of healthy food alternatives while also minimizing the amount of coercive advertising that is targeted at youngsters.

The promotion of dietary alternatives that are healthier, such as fruits, vegetables, and legumes, is an essential component of practically every programmed that is being carried out on a national basis in order to improve nutrition. In a perfect world, organizations representing the government, businesses, professionals, and members of nonprofit groups would work together to coordinate efforts of this kind. In order to get the most out of your investment in these kinds of activities, you need give careful attention to developing and perfecting the social marketing strategies you use. Another strategy that may be implemented is one that seeks to shield customers from the onslaught of aggressive marketing of unhealthy foods. Manufacturers spend billions of dollars each year on marketing and advertising in order to persuade children to consume products that are detrimental to their health. To undercut children's natural propensity for play, 'storytelling', and make believe, manufacturers and fast-food restaurants personify food goods with cartoon characters, place food labels on toys, and issue "educational" card games. These practices include personifying food products with cartoon characters. The public makes a clear distinction between advertising that is directed at adults and advertising that is aimed at children; nonetheless, the political culture of a country determines whether or not the political culture of that country is prepared to control advertising. For example, the results of a survey that was carried out in the United States revealed that more than half of all respondents supported the implementation of laws addressing the advertising that is aimed at children (Blendon 2002). There are numerous different ways in which limits may be implemented, ranging from outright prohibitions on marketing to children to limitations on the kind of products that can be offered to that demographic by merchants and other types of enterprises.

#### **RESEARCH METHODOLOGY**

The term "methodology" can refer to either the theoretical investigation of the processes that are suited for a field of study or the collection of techniques and norms that are specific to that discipline, depending on the setting in which it is used. Leedey (1997) contends that the most significant aspect of any study is the methodology that was used. Its primary purpose is to furnish a methodological framework for the research process, which in turn strengthens the findings' authority and significance. A set of processes for making judgements based on the findings of investigations of natural or social phenomena is what is meant to be

understood as a research technique. It provides a comprehensive and well-reasoned description of the methods and approaches that scientists use. The purpose of this chapter is to accomplish just that by offering a comprehensive explanation of the research methods that were utilized and defending those methods. It provides an explanation of the research methods that were carried out in order to obtain the necessary information for this investigation. A significant portion of this chapter is dedicated to discussing the procedures and findings of the pilot study. An description of the procedures utilized for both acquiring data and analyzing it for the study can be found below in the following paragraphs.

#### DATA ANALYSIS

Once all of the data has been gathered, the researcher is free to go on to the next stage of the technique, which is the analysis of the results. This stage follows the collection of the data. In addition to tabulating the data, the researcher should analyses the data using the appropriate statistical analysis. This should be done while taking into consideration the type of data and information that is required to accomplish the objectives and test the hypotheses. The operations that are carried out to summaries the data and organize it in a way that delivers answers to the inquiry are referred to collectively as the "analysis," and the term "analysis" is used to identify this collection of interrelated procedures as a whole. To put it another way, data mining is the process of examining tabular data in order to discover relationships or insights that were not previously known. Seltz, Jahoda, and others (1959) came up with the phrase "analysis" to characterize the process the name "analysis" and also came up with the term to characterize the process.

The process of interpreting the relevance of the findings within the theoretical framework of the study is referred to as "interpretation," and the term "interpretation" is a phrase that is used to describe the process. Before data can be studied, it must first be arranged in a comprehensible form and accompanied with an explanation of the statistics. Additionally, the statistics themselves must be explained. Interpretation is necessary for knowledge acquisition for the same reason that analysis of any type would be missing in the absence of interpretation.

SI.No.	Hearing Child Health Radio Programming	No. of Respondents	Percentage
Ι	Continuously	203	79.3
2	Sometimes	52	20.3
3	Not at All	1	0.4
Total		256	100.0

Table 1: Distribution of Respondents Who Heard Child Health Radio Programmers

Reveals that an overwhelming majority of respondents (79.3%) are continuously exposed to any radio programming that is related to child health. Comparatively, only 20.3% of respondents are occasionally exposed to such programming, and there is a single respondent who is not exposed to any such programming.

#### Health Facilities and Common Illness Care Analysis

#### Table:2 Health Facilities for Study Respondents

SI.No.	Study Area Health Facilities	No. of Respondents	Percentage
1	No	207	80.9
2	Yes	49	19.1
Total		256	100.0

indicates that majority of the respondents (80.9%) do not have the health facilities in their area whereas 19.1% had such facilities (Hospital, Primary Health Centre) in their area.

#### CONCLUSION

Both eating a nutritious food and engaging in regular physical activity are essential for leading a long and healthy life, and good nutrition is based on both of these factors. It is essential to maintain a healthy weight throughout all stages of life by maintaining a balance between the amount of energy ingested and the amount of physical activity necessary to maintain a healthy weight. Meals that are high in nutrients should be taken, and there should be a balance between the amount of energy consumed and the amount of physical activity required. In order to get the greatest results possible in avoiding nutrition-related chronic diseases, strategies and policies should appropriately identify the vital role that food and physical activity play in defining good nutrition and optimal health. This is necessary in order to acquire the best outcomes possible. Because of this, we will be able to avoid certain diseases in the most efficient way possible.

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