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You can obtain 3 CEUs for reading the article: "CONSUMPTION OF ADDED SUGARS AMONG UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS AT A SOUTH AFRICAN UNIVERSITY AND ITS ASSOCIATION WITH BMI" and answering the accompanying questions. This article has been accredited for CEUs. Ref number: DT/A01/P00008/2020/00005

Select the correct answer from the list below:

- Recent studies have indicated that changes in dietary habits only are responsible for the increase in overweight and obesity among university students
- Recent studies have indicated that changes in dietary and lifestyle habits are responsible for the increase in overweight and obesity among university students.
- Recent studies have indicated that changes in dietary and lifestyle habits are responsible for the decrease in overweight and obesity among university students.

2. The increased consumption of sugar-sweetened beverages (SSBs) has raised much concern regarding its impact on health because:

- They have empty calories, increase satiety, and facilitate an increased intake of foods that have little or no nutritional value.
- They have empty calories, a low satiety, and facilitate a decreased intake of foods that have little or no nutritional value.
- They have empty calories, a low satiety, and facilitate an increased intake of foods that have little or no nutritional value

3.	The sample size in this study was calculated using _ categorical data and was used	to obtain the required sample
	number.	·
a)	Cochran's sample size formula; convenience sampling	
b)	Convenience sampling; Cochran's sample size formula	
c)	Cochran's sampling: convenience sample size formula	

Data were collected using a three-part questionnaire:

- Part Two assessed the student's anthropometric status, whilst Part Three assessed their dietary intake.
- Part Two and Three assessed the dietary intake of the students using a Food Frequency Questionnaire (FFQ) and 24-hour dietary recall.
- Part Two assessed the students' demographic profiles, whilst Part Three assessed the factors relating to the purchases/consumption of SSBs.

In this study, an FFQ and a 24-hour dietary recall were used to assess the dietary intake of the students:

- The FFQ consisted of two sections: The first section measured the amount of added sugars consumed, and the second measured the frequency of consumption.
- The 24-hour dietary recall consisted of two sections: The first section measured the amount of added sugars consumed, and the second measured the frequency of
- The FFQ consisted of two sections: The first section measured the frequency of consumption of added sugars, and the second measured the amount consumed

In the current study, the body mass index (BMI) of the students was as follows:

- A significant proportion of the students were classified as having a normal BMI.
- A significantly higher proportion of male than female students had a normal BMI, and the b) prevalence of overweight and obesity was significantly higher among the female than male students
- Both a and b

In terms of the relationship between the BMI categories and the frequency of consuming added sugars, this study reported that: A significant relationship was found between the BMI categories and the frequency of

- consumption of some foods and beverages.
- The mean added sugar intake, dietary energy intake and percentage contribution of added sugars to the total dietary energy intake differed significantly across the BMI
- A significant relationship was found between the BMI categories and the consumption of added sugars from the FFQ and 24-hour dietary recall

- 8. In this study, the average contribution of added sugars to the total energy intake
- 10%
- h) 4%
- 14.2% C)

With regards to the factors relating to the purchases/consumption of SSBs:

- Taste and price were of significant low importance when purchasing/consuming SSBs.
- Taste and price as well as factors related to marketing and labelling, and social influences (family and friends) were shown to be of significant high importance when purchasing/ consuming SSBs.
- Taste and price were of significant importance when purchasing/consuming SSBs.

10.	In South Africa, a healthy diet costs	more than an unhealthy diet,	and if
	South Africans resorted to healthy eating habi	ts approximately	of their
	income would be spent on food.		

- a) 68%; 15-20%
- 10-15%; 69%
- 69%; 10-15%

11. Studies that have assessed the influence of fiscal policies on the consumption of SSBs have found a positive relationship between price increases and consumption patterns, therefore:

- Imposing taxes on healthy food products and subsidising unhealthy food products could be one of the many strategies that could steer consumers dietary habits into a more positive direction.
- Imposing taxes on unhealthy food products and subsidising healthy food products could be one of the many strategies that could steer consumers dietary habits into a more positive
- Imposing taxes on unhealthy and healthy food products could be one of the many strategies that could steer consumers dietary habits into a more positive direction.

The consumption frequency of added sugars across each demographic variable was quantified to calculate a mean rank. Which of the following results are true?

- The frequency of consuming the desserts, cakes and biscuits, chocolates, and sweets groups was significantly higher among the male than the female students.
- A comparison could not be made regarding race as the statistical power was insufficient for group comparisons.
- Students living at home consumed only desserts significantly more frequently than those living away from home.

13. Select the correct answer from the list below:

- A study conducted at the University of the Free State found a higher daily consumption of carbonated soft drinks and 100% fruit juices.
- A study conducted at a university in the Eastern Cape indicated a higher monthly consumption of carbonated soft drinks and 100% fruit juices.
- In this study students mostly consumed carbonated soft drinks and juice concentrates on a weekly basis.

14. A limitation of this study is that:

- Only postgraduate students were included in this study.
- A cross-sectional study design was used.
- Multiple 24-hour dietary recalls were included in this study.

In conclusion, this study revealed that:

- University students are not at risk for developing unhealthy dietary and lifestyle habits.
- Health education is essential prior to the student's admission to university as well during their tertiary education
- Non-communicable diseases are common among university students

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