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Relationship Issues Can Lead to Change in Eating Attitudes in Young Adults

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Abstract: The widespread adoption of unhealthy coping mechanisms for dealing with underlying stress of relationship issues has drastically affected on lives of youth among community. It has brought significant change in our eating attitudes. The study explores the correlation between relationship issues and change in eating attitudes among individuals in the young adult (18-26) age population. Leveraging the FIAT-Q-SF Scale, participants answered all the (6) sub domains and self-reported their height and weight for EAT-26 Test. The statistical analysis was conducted using SPSS, employing the person correlation method to test hypothesis. The study comprised 131 participants, with a gender distribution of 65.2% females and 34.8% males. Findings revealed that there is a negative correlation between height of an individual and change in eating attitude. Additionally, it was observed that disagreement sub domain of FIAT-Q-SF increases when there is a change in eating attitudes. Intimacy likely refers to emotional closeness. It has a weak positive correlation with weight (0.089) and a stronger positive correlation with eating attitudes (0.077). This suggests that people who report more intimacy may also report slightly higher weight and more positive attitudes towards eating. Disagreement shows a weak negative correlation with weight (-(0.121) and height (-0.039), indicating a slight tendency for people who report more disagreement to have lower weight and height. Emotional Experience has a weak negative correlation with weight (-0.054) but no significant correlation with height (0.008). Expressing Emotion doesn't show significant correlations with weight (0.067) or height (-0.001). Connection has weak negative correlations with weight (-0.093) and height (-0.021). Conflict has no significant correlations with weight (0.024) or height (0.020).

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