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Abstract

Being overweight has become a major public health issue with far-reaching effects on both people and society at large. By combining significant data from a variety of academic reports, this literature review tries to present an overview of the current knowledge of obesity. The review looks at the variables that contribute to obesity, its effects, and the many therapies and approaches used to deal with this serious global wellness problem. Obesity has several underlying causes, including intricate relationships between biological, environmental, and behavioural variables.

Obesity has several known causes, including genetic susceptibility, inactive habits, poor eating habits, socioeconomic circumstances, and psychological effects. Additionally, the accessibility and advertising of foods high in calories as well as the encouragement of inactivity all contribute to the development and prevalence of obesity.

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Introduction

In addition, this study will evaluate multiple factors and medical effects of being overweight. It will go through how obese people are more likely to develop issues with their mental health, type 2 diabetes, certain malignancies, orthopaedic illnesses, and heart disease. Likewise, the effect of being overweight on medical costs and health-related quality of life will be investigated. Watts M.(2023,January 22)

A thorough analysis of different therapies and management techniques for obesity prevention and management will additionally be included in the assessment. It will evaluate the efficacy of behavioural therapies, alterations to diets, and encouragement of exercise, among other changes to one's lifestyle. Additionally, it will examine how public health initiatives, surgical techniques, and pharmaceutical therapies may all be used to combat the obesity pandemic.

One of the biggest long-term health issues this nation is dealing with is obesity. Approximately 63% of individuals in today's society are overweight or obese, and of them,

50% do so. One in three primary school-age children in the United States are overweight or obese, and one in five of them are obese. Children in the most impoverished portions of the country are more than twice as likely to be obese than their classmates living in the richest districts. Obesity incidence is highest among the most marginalised segments in society. Early childhood is being used to plant the seeds of adult illnesses and health disparities. Reduced life expectancy is linked to obesity.

Obesity has an effect on mental health since it is a risk factor for a number of chronic diseases, including cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes, at least 12 different types of cancer, liver and lung problems, and cancer. Our country's rates of obesity are storing up future problems for individuals and our NHS. But worryingly, there is now consistent evidence that people who are overweight or living with obesity who contract coronavirus (COVID-19) are more likely to be admitted to hospital, to an intensive care unit and, sadly to die from COVID-19 compared to those of a healthy body weight status. Obesity has become an immediate concern for anyone who is overweight and for our health and care services. Many people who are obese or overweight wish to reduce weight but struggle to do so. Webber, L. (2020).

Many individuals have attempted to reduce weight but struggle since there are constant cues to eat on television and in stores. Special deals and promotions at supermarkets persuade us to purchase items that aren't on our shopping list yet are difficult to pass up. We don't always know how many calories are in the meal we are served when we eat out. We are naturally wired to eat, so it can be challenging to eat a healthy diet when we are constantly exposed to food commercials and promotions, especially when we are busy, exhausted, or worried. We comprehend this. People around the nation who wish to assist themselves have spoken to us. But we've also heard that there are some situations in which they require our assistance. Today, we're unveiling a new set of measures that will begin to alter this climate by empowering people to make the healthier decisions they choose and providing those who are overweight and want to lose weight with the full support of the NHS. It marks the beginning of the government's initiative to reorient healthcare such that it places a stronger emphasis on public health and prevention. One of the most crucial things we can do to enhance the health of our nation is to assist people in achieving and maintaining a healthy weight.

Obesity

Webber, L. (2020)

Centres for Disease Control and Prevention. (2023, April 26)

Throughout the UK, being obese is an important health problem. The UK has one of the highest rates of overweight individuals in the European Union, and the issue has kept growing over time, judging by the statistics that are currently accessible. Approximately sixty-three percent of individuals in the UK are projected to be overweight or obese in 2023. Around twenty-eight percent of this group were considered obese. Particular age groups and socioeconomic groupings see considerably greater incidence. In the United Kingdom, childhood obesity is a specific problem. Around 20% of kids between the ages of ten and eleven and 9% of kids between the ages of four and five are fat. Being overweight as a kid raises the likelihood of adult illnesses associated with obesity. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2023, April 26).

To combat obesity, the UK government has launched a number of programs. Among those are the implementation of glucose levels, limitations on the promotion of unsafe foods, revision initiatives to lower the sugar and calorie content of food and beverages, and the encouragement of physical exercise in institutions. Numerous health campaigns have been started to encourage better lives and increase understanding of the dangers of being overweight. Informing the public on nutrition, portion control, and the need for consistent physical activity is a common theme in these efforts. Allender, Steven, (2007).

Obesity is a complicated medical disability that is affected by several variables. Following some of the typical overweight origins and supporters . Eating meals with a lot of calories and a lot of fat, sugar, and processed carbs can make you acquire fat and become obese. Fat is frequently linked to diets rich in packaged meals, sweet beverages, and fast food. Living a mostly inactive lifestyle, which is characterised by little exercise and extended periods of idleness or sitting, can cause weight gain and obesity. Insufficient vigorous activity lowers the utilisation of calories and increases caloric unbalance. A person's propensity to overweightness may be influenced by factors that are genetic. Certain individuals may be more prone to weight gain due to specific genes that may have an impact on digestion, the retention of lipids, and hunger control. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2023, April 26).

Being overweight can be caused by environmental factors such as easy availability to improper meals, promotion of meals to youths, and the predominance of high-calorie, low-nutrient dietary selections. Emotions and mental variables may play a role in binge eating and weight gain. Excessive intake of calories and gaining weight might be caused by stress, despair, monotony, and utilising food as a coping strategy. A number of medicines,

including several antidepressants, antipsychotics, corticosteroids, and antiepileptic drugs, may have the adverse counter of causing gaining weight, which can result among some people, obesity. Obesity has been related to insufficient or poor sleeping duration. Lack of rest can interfere with hormonal control, causing an increase in hunger plus an decrease in sensations of being full, that can result in an excess of food. Webber, L. (2020).

Being overweight raises the chance of acquiring a number of major health disorders, like Cardiovascular illnesses such as cardiac illness, hypertension, strokes. diabetes, and breathing disorders such as sleep apnea and asthma. Osteoporosis and difficulties with joints. Several cancers, including the kidneys, the intestines, and breast cancer. Digestive conditions such as liver and gallbladder cancer. Longevity can be substantially reduced, and overweightness may decrease lifetime expectancy. Obesity-related long-term illness risk is elevated and may end in early mortality.

Consequences on the Mind and Emotions: Obese people may suffer a range of cognitive and emotional effects, including low regard for one's body along with poor confidence in oneself. both depressive disorders and anxiety. loneliness and a decline in the standard of existence can result from stigmatisation and prejudice in society. Reduced mobility and physical capacity: Being overweight puts more pressure on the body, which results in decreased flexibility and endurance. Obese people may have trouble doing daily duties and finding it hard to participate in exercise.

Both men and women who are obese may experience reduced fertility. It can result in physiological abnormalities, erratic periods, and poorer-quality sperm, which makes it harder to get pregnant.

It is crucial to remember how the extent of such repercussions may differ based on the level of being overweight, a person's health, and how they live. But combating weight via modifications to your lifestyle, such as a balanced diet and consistent exercise, may assist in lowering the likelihood of these side effects and enhance general well-being.

Methodology

Public Awareness Campaigns: To inform the general population concerning the dangers of being overweight, the value of living a healthy lifestyle, and the advantages of regularly exercising and a well-balanced diet, authorities can start extensive outreach efforts. Ads on broadcasting platforms, online advertising efforts, and instructional initiatives in schools and neighbourhoods can all be part of these initiatives.

Authorities have power to enact laws that limit the promotion of harmful foods, especially to youngsters. Ads for high-calorie, low-nutrient meals and beverages may be banned from programmes, educational institutions, and internet media. Governments can require pre packaged foods and drinks to have calorie counts that are more easily understood and relevant. By simply comprehending the calorie counts and contents of the items they buy, customers can make healthier decisions. Agencies can fund projects that encourage access to and consumption of nutritious foods. Development of nutritious kitchen produce. Subsidies for nutritious meals, taxation or fees on foods that are harmful, and incentives for supermarkets and farmers' markets to open in disadvantaged regions are a few examples of this.

Academies are essential in encouraging youngsters to adopt beneficial behaviours. In addition to encouraging physical activity through physical education programmes and limiting the accessibility of unsafe foods and drinks on campus, authorities might require that adequate and nourishing foods be served within school lunchrooms. The implementation of employee wellness programmes that support exercising regularly, a nutritious diet, and general fitness can be encouraged and rewarded by administrations. This might involve making fitness centres and gymnasium accessible, setting up educational initiatives, and supplying wholesome food alternatives in restaurants.

To include measures for managing and preventing adiposity in standard medical procedures, lawmakers can work with medical practitioners such as the NHS. That may entail teaching medical staff how to advise patients on weight control, vigorous activity, and a good diet. Countries can fund investigations to learn more about the origins, effects, and efficacy of various approaches for reducing weight. Furthermore, tracking mechanisms may be set up to track obesity rates and trends, giving politicians a chance to evaluate the effectiveness of their programmes while making fact-based choices.

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My research question:		Obesity			
Places to search for information:		Google Scholar			
Date	Database / Search Engine Name	Search Terms	No of Results	Links to: title, aim, objective number?	Your Comments or notes
	Google Scholar	Consequences of Obesity	1050000	links to the aim of informing of the negatives of obesity	
	Google Scholar	Causes of Obesity	1410000	links to one of the main subjects of obesity	
	Google Scholar	What the government can do to stop obesity	257000	links to the aim of the research	
	Google Scholar	Diseases associated with obesity	4160000	links to the aim of informing the negatives of disability	

Result

We have received a wake-up call from COVID-19. We must seize this opportunity to improve our diet, acquire more exercise, and start living healthier. The new campaign is a call to action to achieve a healthy weight because of this. Yates, (2020). In the aftermath of the COVID-19 epidemic, PHE's new Better Health campaign will encourage individuals to evaluate how they live their lives by promoting evidence-based tools and applications that offer guidance on how to lose weight and keep it off.

You may start by weighing and measuring yourself, as well as using the NHS BMI calculator to get your BMI. The free NHS 12-week weight loss plan app will help you get started on your weight reduction journey if you are overweight.

In order to help individuals who are most at danger, we will also quicken the NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme's rollout. individuals who most need it will have access to treatments for high-impact weight loss. Over 500,000 people have already received assistance through this project.

Tens of thousands more individuals will have access to these services as a result of this expansion than were initially planned for in the Long Term Plan.

providing additional information as we develop the offer this year, but we intend to concentrate this investment in the regions of the nation that have had the most COVID-19 damage.

.launching a new campaign to encourage everyone who is overweight to shift towards a healthier weight using apps and tools that provide evidence-based guidance on how to lose weight and keep it off.

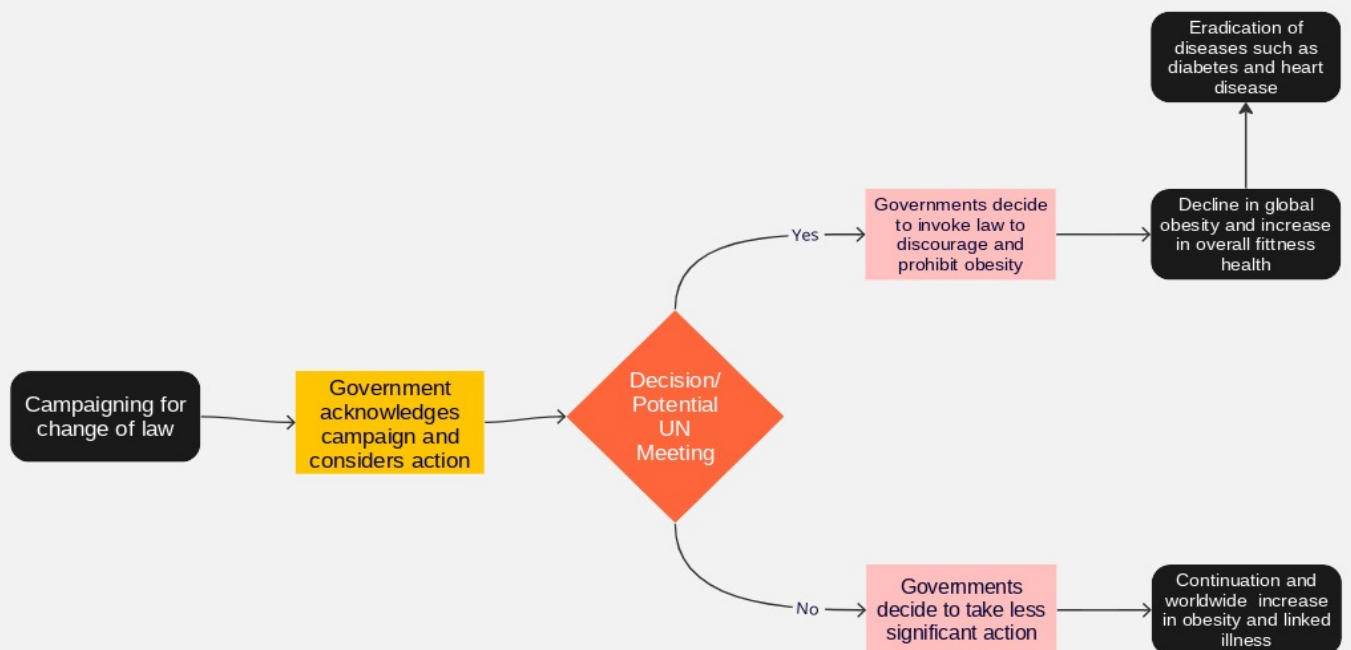
strives to increase the availability of weight management services through the NHS so that more individuals may receive the help they need to reduce weight.

.releasing a four-nation public consultation to collect opinions and data on our present "traffic light" label to assist consumers in choosing healthy foods.

Obtaining feedback on our plan to require corporations to label alcohol with its calorie content.Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2023, April 26).

.enacting legislation to stop the advertising of foods heavy in fat, sugar, or salt (HFSS) in England by limiting volume promotions like buy one get one free and the positioning of these goods in conspicuous areas designed to stimulate purchase.

.prohibiting HFSS product advertisements from appearing on TV and online before 9 p.m. and having a quick consultation as soon as feasible on how to implement a complete ban on HFSS advertising online.



Consideration of Ethical Practice in Research

Implication of stigmatisation on investors financial risk tolerance

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Following rules and values that place a priority on the welfare, autonomy, and dignity of the participants is considered moral practice in obesity studies. The following are some crucial moral issues to take into account when researching overweightness. Proper consent is required from all those involved in an investigation, to guarantee they are aware of its goals, methods, possible hazards, and advantages. It must be possible for volunteers to opt out of the research at any moment while facing any repercussions.

Analysts must protect the identities and personal information of individuals. Only authorised workers ought to have possession of private data, which should be maintained securely. To preserve the confidentiality of individuals, data should be anonymized and aggregated

wherever feasible. A governing body or independent research ethics committee should assess experiments including individuals for ethical issues. These organisations evaluate the investigation's moral impacts and make certain that the rules and laws governing ethics are followed. Scientists may carry out experiments on adiposity with honesty, respect for participants' rights, and a dedication to responsibly advance the field by adhering to those moral standards.

Literature review Finding and Discussion

Watts, M. (2023, January 22)

Many investigations have been carried out to comprehend the origins, effects, and possible therapies of being overweight, making it a wide and active area of study. Regarding more current data, it remains preferable to check the most recent study or a doctor. These are a few significant outcomes and conclusions from studies regarding weight gain: Overweight causes include genetics, poor nutrition, sedentary lifestyle, environmental factors, socioeconomic status, cultural influences, and certain drugs. Other variables that have been linked to being overweight include circumstances and socioeconomic standing. Individual differences affect how these components interact. Watts, M. (2023, January 22).

Type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease, certain forms of malignancies, breathing disorders, muscular disorders, and psychological concerns such as anxiety and dejection are just a few of the illnesses that are linked to being overweight and their elevated risk. Around the world, the incidence of paediatric obesity has risen, prompting worries regarding its lasting impact on wellness. According to study findings, childhood obesity increases the chance of becoming obese as an adult including related diseases. Watts, M. (2023, January 22).

Adiposity is frequently associated with metabolic syndrome, a group of illnesses. This condition consists of resistance to insulin, high blood pressure, high blood sugar, weight gain in the abdomen, and aberrant amounts of lipids. Type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular disease are more likely to occur in those who have metabolic syndrome.

Recent studies suggest a possible connection among the makeup of the microbiota in the gut and overweight. According to research, digestive issues and gaining weight may be

influenced by an unbalanced intestinal bacterial population. To determine the specific processes and possible treatment repercussions, more investigation is required.

A number of techniques are being researched for managing fat and losing weight. Among those involve weight loss surgery, changes in diet, greater exercise, behavioural therapies, and medication. Yet, the efficacy of these tactics might differ and a tailored strategy is frequently required. Being overweight is frequently linked to prejudice and discrimination, which can have a detrimental effect on someone's mental health and quality of life. Emphasis should be placed heavily on eradicating the stigma associated with obesity and encouraging body acceptance. Watts, M. (2023, January 22).

Health care programs work to avoid and control obesity at the population level. These can consist of legislative modifications, neighbourhood-based initiatives, outreach efforts, and easier access to nutritious food and chances for active living.

It's crucial to remember that the field of obesity research is always changing. Our knowledge of obesity and its treatment may be greatly improved by new research, therapies, and breakthroughs.

Physical activity And level of exercise That Someone With Obesity needs ; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2023, April 26)

Regular exercise promotes your health both now and in the future. Being physically active may strengthen your bones and muscles, lower your risk of disease, enhance your ability to carry out daily tasks, and benefit your cognitive health. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2023, April 26).

Additionally beneficial is exercise:

- .The quality of your sleep.
- .Lower your blood pressure.
- .lower risk of heart attack, stroke, type 2 diabetes, and several cancers.
- .lessen the discomfort and impairment caused by arthritis.
- .Falls and osteoporosis risk are decreased.
- .lessen the signs of anxiety and despair.

Additionally, exercise is crucial if you want to reduce your weight or keep it at a healthy level.

More exercise increases the number of calories your body utilises for energy when trying to lose weight. A calorie deficit that leads to weight reduction is produced by burning calories via physical activity and consuming less calories than you consume.

The main method of weight reduction is reducing calorie consumption. Evidence suggests that regular physical exercise is the only method to maintain weight loss, nevertheless.

Most significantly, exercise lowers risk of diabetes and cardiovascular disease beyond what is achieved by weight loss alone.

Work your way up to 150 minutes per week of moderate-intensity aerobic activity to maintain your weight. This may be 30 minutes per day, five days per week, of vigorous walking. Alternately, you might swim laps for 75 minutes of intense aerobic exercise each week. For each individual, a different quantity of physical exercise is required to maintain a healthy weight. To maintain your weight, you might require more than the equivalent of 150 minutes per week of moderate-intensity exercise.

You will require a lot of physical exercise to lose weight and keep it off unless you also change your diet to consume less calories throughout the day. Regular physical exercise and a good food regimen are necessary for achieving and maintaining a healthy weight. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2023, April 26).

Conclusion and recommendation

In summary, this literature review has offered a thorough examination of the numerous facets of adiposity. The results of the examined research demonstrate how complex being overweight is and how much it affects both people and society as a whole.

Initially, the research pinpointed a number of important characteristics that contribute to weight gain, such as genetic susceptibility, bad eating patterns, a lack of exercise, and economic status. The complicated interactions between these variables make being overweight a difficult problem to solve. The analysis also highlighted how structure and the availability of unhealthy food alternatives are environmental variables that contribute to obesity. Watts M. (2023, January 22).

The investigation also looked at the various negative effects which weight gain has on well-being. It emphasised the elevated risk of long-term illnesses like muscle disorders, type

2 diabetes, certain forms of malignancy, and coronary artery disease. Also covered was how weight affects psychological conditions such as sadness as well as poor confidence in oneself. The analysis also included the societal and economic consequences of weight gain, such as its financial cost to medical facilities, lower efficiency in the workplace, and medical inequities between various communities. In order to tackle the socioeconomic causes of being obese and lessen the accompanying inequities, it stressed the necessity for comprehensive public health programs and regulations.

The research analysis also underlined the efficacy of different approaches in regulating and avoiding adiposity. These measures included both personal tactics like behavioural change and altering one's habits as well as individual techniques like taxing fatty foods and enhancing urban design to encourage exercise.

Major barriers still exist, given the advances achieved in recognizing and managing adiposity. In order to clarify the fundamental causes of being overweight, create more efficient preventive and therapeutic plans, and encourage long-lasting behaviour changes at the individual and societal levels, the study underlined the requirement for additional study. Watts M. (2023, January 22)

To sum up, being overweight constitutes a complicated and ubiquitous problem that calls for a thorough and interdisciplinary response. It is feasible to decrease the incidence of obesity and enhance the overall quality of life of society as a whole by resolving the causes of obesity, comprehending its health repercussions, resolving financial issues, and putting proven methods into practice. To stop the obesity pandemic and promote healthy cultures, it is essential to keep up with initiatives, collaborate, and engage in studies and policies.

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