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# EFFECT OF MEDITERRANEAN DIET EDUCATION ON BLOOD PRESSURE LEVEL AND QUALITY OF LIFE OF HYPERTENSION PATIENTS

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### THESIS ABSTRACT

This study aims to evaluate the effects of Mediterranean diet education on blood pressure levels and quality of life in hypertensive patients. The research is an experimental study conducted at a family health center in Bursa.

The results showed that patients who received Mediterranean diet education had an average reduction of 10 mmHg in systolic blood pressure and 7 mmHg in diastolic blood pressure. Additionally, significant improvements were observed in the total and all sub-dimension scores of quality of life.

# **APPLICATION AREAS OF THE THESIS RESULTS**

Educational interventions provided to patients diagnosed with hypertension can be considered as a valuable educational tool. Forms can be used to assess the effectiveness of the education provided.

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