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Investigating the effect of intervention based on pre-planned behavior theory on enhancing self-care behavior of patients with hypertension visiting rural health-care systems of Rasht in 2016

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Statement of the Problem: Hypertension is an adjustable health risk factor and one of the most important causes of disability and mortality. The aim of this study was to investigate the effect of theory-of-planned-behavior-based intervention on self-care behaviors in hypertensive patients.

Methodology & Theoretical Orientation: An intervention study was conducted on two intervention and control groups (n=75) with hypertension referred to Rasht city's health centers. The research instrument was a questionnaire, including demographic information, physical activity by GPAC questionnaire, and nutritional information by food frequency questionnaire and also theory of planned behaviors questions were about five areas including attitude, subjective norms, perceived behavior control, and behavioral intention related to hypertension. The validity of the questionnaire was determined through content validity method and its reliability was determined by Cronbach's alpha. Data analyses were performed using SPSS-18 software; descriptive and inferential tests were conducted too.

Findings: Before training intervention, two groups were similar with regards to their mean scores on theory of planned behavior constructs, while after this intervention, the intervention group's mean scores of attitude changed from 4.51 to 4.58, mean scores of subjective norms changed from 4.16 to 4.19, mean scores of perceived behavior control changed from 3.64 to 4.23, and mean scores of behavioral intention changed from 3.88 to 4.24. These differences were statistically significant (p<0.05) with no difference observed in control group.

Conclusion & Significance: The results showed that designing a training program based on theory of planned behavior will have more effect on promotion of self-care behaviors among patients. Mean value, standard deviation and significance level of MAP (sum of two diastoles+one diastole divided by three) blood pressure for two control and intervention groups before and 2.5 months after intervention.

group	Before intervention		After intervention		P. value
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interv ention	08	22.08	201. 57	18.93	0.001 Wilco xen
eontr el	200. 13	18.76	201. 57	17.46	0.599 Wilco xon
p. value	0.48 Man withoy U		Man without U		

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