PREVALENCE OF DIABETES IN PATIENTS ON HOME ENTERAL TUBE FEEDING (HETF): A CLINICAL AUDIT.

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INTRODUCTION

The prevalence of diabetes in patients who receive Home Enteral Tube Feeding (HETF) is not well documented in the literature. It is important to investigate the prevalence of diabetes in these patients to ensure appropriate management of their condition.

METHODS

The study was conducted in the Clinical Practice Department of a University Hospital. A total of 150 patients on HETF were included in the study. Diabetic patients were identified using the International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision (ICD-10) codes for diabetes (E10, E11, E12, E13, E14, E15, E16, E17, E18).

RESULTS

Of the 150 patients, 30 were found to have diabetes mellitus (either Type 1 or Type 2). The prevalence of diabetes in patients on HETF was found to be 20%. This is higher than the national average of 10%.

CONCLUSIONS

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A CLINICAL AUDIT

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