# SUPPLEMENTARY TABLES AND FIGURES

# **Comparison of self-care levels and barriers**

#### 1. Diet barrier and self-care levels

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Selfcare level	Diet Barrier Mean ± SD	Mean difference	95% CI		P value
			Lower	Upper	
Poor self-care (0-33)	31.97 ± 11.06				
Moderate self-care (34-67)	24.27 ± 12.93	7.70	4.75	10.65	< 0.001
Good self-care (68-99)	19.43 ± 11.36	12.54	8.65	16.42	< 0.001

The table shows that participants who had poor self-care levels had higher diet barrier scores, and those who had good self-care levels had lower diet barrier scores. This result indicates that diet barrier is associated with self-care levels with p-value  $<0.001^{***}$ .



Figure I: Graph showing higher diet barrier scores for poor self-care and lower diet barrier scores for good self-care

# 2. Medication barrier and self-care levels

Selfcare level	Medication Barrier	Mean difference	95% CI		P value
	Mean ± SD		Lower	Upper	
Poor self-care (0-33)	35.49 ± 12.29				
Moderate self-care (34-67)	28.85 ± 14.48	6.64	3.39	9.90	< 0.001
Good self-care (68-99)	22.55 ± 11.63	12.94	8.65	17.23	< 0.001

Table II: Comparison of mean medication barrier and self-care levels

The table shows that participants who had poor self-care levels had higher medication barrier scores, and those who had good self-care levels had lower medication barrier scores. This result indicates that medication barrier is associated with self-care levels with p-value  $<0.001^{***}$ .



Figure II: Graph showing higher medication barrier scores for poor self-care and lower medication barrier scores for good self-care

#### 3. Blood glucose monitoring barrier and self-care levels

Selfcare level	Blood Barrier Mean ± SD	Mean difference	95% CI		P value
			Lower	Upper	
Poor self-care (0-33)	36.34 ± 10.81				
Moderate self-care (34-67)	29.54 ± 13.67	6.80	3.78	9.82	< 0.001
Good self-care (68-99)	24.23 ± 11.05	12.11	8.12	16.09	< 0.001

Table III: Comparison of mean blood glucose monitoring barrier and self-care levels

The table shows that participants who had poor self-care levels had higher blood glucose monitoring barrier scores, and those who had good self-care levels had lower blood glucose monitoring barrier scores. This result indicates that blood glucose monitoring barrier is associated with self-care levels with p-value <0.001\*\*\*.



Figure III: Graph showing higher blood glucose monitoring barrier scores for poor self-care and lower blood glucose monitoring barrier scores for good self-care

#### 4. Exercise barriers and self-care levels

Selfcare level	Exercise Barrier Mean ± SD	Mean difference	95% CI		P value
			Lower	Upper	_
Poor self-care (0-33)	29.25 ± 10.58				
Moderate self-care (34-67)	24.06 ± 12.91	5.19	2.34	8.03	< 0.001
Good self-care (68-99)	16.92 ± 9.47	12.33	8.58	16.08	< 0.001

Table IV: Comparison of mean exercise barrier and self-care levels

The table shows that participants who had poor self-care levels had higher exercise barrier scores, and those who had good self-care levels had lower exercise barrier scores. This result indicates that exercise barrier is associated with self-care levels with p-value <0.001\*\*\*.



Figure IV: Graph showing higher exercise barrier scores for poor self-care and lower exercise barrier scores for good self-care

# 5. Foot-care barrier and self-care levels

Selfcare level	Foot Barrier Mean ± SD	Mean difference	95% CI		P value
			Lower	Upper	_
Poor self-care (0-33)	12.66 ± 10.26				
Moderate self-care (34-67)	11.35 ± 6.06	1.30	-0.67	3.28	0.194
Good self-care (68-99)	17.3 ± 9.46	4.64	-7.24	-2.04	< 0.001

Table V: Comparison of mean foot-care barrier and self-care levels

The table shows that participants who had good self-care levels had higher foot-care barrier scores. This result indicates that exercise barrier is associated with self-care levels with p-value  $< 0.001^{***}$ .



Figure V: Graph showing higher foot-care barrier scores for good self-care

# 6. Total barrier score and self-care levels

Selfcare level	Total Barrier score	Mean difference	95% CI		P value
	Mean ± SD		Lower	Upper	_
Poor self-care (0-33)	145.71 ± 41.93				
Moderate self-care (34-67)	118.09 ± 51.25	27.62	16.05	39.19	< 0.001
Good self-care (68-99)	$100.43 \pm 45.16$	45.27	30.03	60.52	< 0.001

Table VI: Comparison of mean of total barrier score and self-care levels

The table shows that participants who had poor self-care levels had higher mean barrier scores, and those who had good self-care levels had lower mean barrier scores. This result indicates that barrier is associated with self-care levels with p-value  $<0.001^{***}$ .



Figure VI: Graph showing higher total barrier scores for poor self-care and lower total barrier scores for good self-care