

A Comparative Analysis of Meta-Cognitive Behavioral Strategies in Mitigating Socioeconomic Health Disparities

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Abstract. This study investigates the efficacy of meta-cognitive behavioral strategies in addressing socioeconomic disparities in health. Utilizing a randomized controlled trial, we compared traditional health interventions with innovative, cognitive-based approaches. Preliminary results indicate a significant reduction in health inequities among socioeconomically disadvantaged populations. This research provides critical insights into optimizing public health policies.

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Introduction

The global landscape of public health is increasingly challenged by profound socioeconomic disparities that manifest in disparate health outcomes. These disparities are not merely a reflection of income inequality but are deeply interwoven with systemic barriers to healthcare access, availability of resources, and education. As we approach the mid-2020s, the urgency to bridge this gap has intensified, driven by an unprecedented convergence of global health threats and socioeconomic upheavals. Recent data underscore the persistence of these disparities, indicating that traditional approaches to public health have been insufficient. Addressing such a multifaceted issue requires an innovative approach that transcends conventional methodologies. Meta-cognitive behavioral strategies have emerged as a promising avenue, offering a paradigm shift in how we perceive and address health disparities. Unlike traditional interventions that often focus on immediate healthcare access or superficial lifestyle changes, meta-cognitive strategies delve deeper

into the cognitive processes that influence health behaviors. This article presents a comparative analysis of these strategies against traditional public health interventions. Through a randomized controlled trial, we have assessed the impact of these cognitive strategies on mitigating health disparities among socioeconomically disadvantaged groups. The structure of this paper is as follows: we begin with a detailed literature review, followed by an exposition of our methodology. Subsequent sections will discuss our findings and implications for public health policy.

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