

## AŞIRI KİLOLULUK VE OBEZİTE

### GİRİŞ

Çocukluk çağı obezitesi, dünyada görülen en önemli sorunlardan biridir. Obezite, vücut yağının fazla miktarda olması olarak tanımlanmaktadır. Obezite, Dünya Sağlık Örgütü (DSÖ) tarafından "Sağlığı bozacak ölçüde vücutta anormal veya aşırı yağ birikmesi" olarak ifade edilmektedir. Coğulukla vücut kitle indeksi (VKİ) üzerinden ifade edilir (1). VKİ, kilogram cinsinden vücut ağırlığının, metre cinsinden boyun karesine bölünmesi sonucu elde edilir. VKİ, kilo ve vücut yağılanması ile orantılı olarak artmaktadır. Ancak, bazen benzer VKİ'deki hareketli bir çocukta yağ oranı düşük olabilirken, sedanter yaşayan hareketsiz bir çocukta yağ oranı daha yüksek olabilir. Bu durumu da göz önüne almak uygun olacaktır (2,3).

### TANIM

DSÖ'ye göre;

VKİ 25-30 arasında olan yetişkinler aşırı kilolu,

VKİ 30,0-34,9 arasında olan yetişkinler 1. Derece Obez,

VKİ 35,0-39,9 arasında olan yetişkinler 2. Derece Obez,

VKİ 40,0 ve üstü olan yetişkinler ise 3. Derece Obez olarak tanımlanmaktadır. Morbid obez ifadesi kişiden kişiye değişen risklerle bağıdaşmadığı için kaldırılmıştır (4).

Çocuklarda ve ergenlerde ise, aşırı kiloluluk ve obeziteyi tanımlamak için cinsiyete özgü yaşa göre persentil eğrileri kullanılır.

VKİ, 85-94,9 persentil arasında olan çocuklar ve ergenler aşırı kilolu,

VKİ, 95 ve üstü persentil olan çocuklar ve ergenler obez olarak kabul edilir.

VKİ, 99. persentilden daha büyük olan çocuklar ve ergenler ise aşırı obez olarak tanımlanır (5).

Uluslararası Obezite Çalışma Grubu, yaygınlığın küresel olarak karşılaştırılmasını sağlayan uluslararası bir standart büyümeye grafiği geliştirmiştir (6). Bununla birlikte, her ülkenin kendine has büyümeye eğrisini kullanması daha iyi sonuçlara ulaşmayı sağlar. Türkiye'de cinsiyete özgü yaşa göre VKİ persantillerini içeren Olcay Neyzi büyümeye eğrileri oldukça kullanışlıdır (7). Amerika Birleşik Devletleri'nde ise, cinsiyete özgü CDC (Hastalık kontrol ve önleme merkezleri) büyümeye grafikleri kullanılmaktadır (5).

### SIKLIK

Amerika Birleşik Devletleri'nde, çocukların %17'si obez, %5,8'i ise aşırı obezdir (8). Türkiye'deki obezite sıklığı değerlendirildiğinde "Türkiye Beslenme ve Sağlık Araştırması" verilerine göre 6-18 yaşta aşırı kilolu olanlar %14,3, obez olanlar %8,2 (erkek %9,1; kız %7,3) olarak saptanmıştır. 0-5 yaşta ise aşırı kilolu olanlar %17,9, obezite sıklığı %8,5 (erkek %10,1; kız %6,8) olarak belirlenmiştir (9).

### ETİYOLOJİ

Obezite, genetik ve çevresel faktörlerden kaynaklanan karmaşık bir tablodur. Çocuklarda ve ergenlerde aşırı kiloluluk, genellikle fiziksel aktivitenin düşüklüğü, sağılsız beslenme sonucu yüksek enerji alımı veya bu ikisinin birlikteliği sonucu oluşur (10).

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ci, hastalara bu düşünceleri test etmek ve değiştirmek için davranış deneyi ve maruz bırakma-tepki engellemeye tekniklerini kullanmayı da içerir.

Obezitede yetişkinler için başarıyla uygulanan BDT için, çocuklarda ve ergenlerde de faydalı olabileceğine yönelik kanıtlar giderek artmaktadır (67,69).

## SONUÇ

Sonuç olarak, çocuklarda ve ergenlerde aşırı kiloluluk ve obezite göz önüne alınması gereken önemli sorunların başında gelmektedir. Erken tanı ve tedavi ile oluşabilecek birçok tıbbî ve psikiyatrik sorun ortadan kalkacaktır. Davranış tedavisi, obezitenin tedavisinde esas rolü sahip olup, Aile Tabanlı Terapi ve Bilişsel Davranışçı Terapi uygulamalarının oldukça yüz güldüren sonuçlar verdiği saptanmıştır. Ülkemizde bu uygulamaların giderek yaygınlaştırılması, obeziteye özgü tedavi servislerinin açılmasıyla mümkünür. Açılanacak servislerle, hastalar tedavi imkânına kavuşacak ve kanıta dayalı olarak tedavi edilmiş olacaktır.

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