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ABSTRACT

Introduction: Nomophobia refers to the feeling of fear to be without a mobile phone. It was a new term and serious problem of smartphone addiction but this problem was still unknown to the global. In Malaysia, there was a limited study of nomophobia thus we want to find out the prevalence of nomophobia in Malaysia. Objectives: This study aimed to determine nomophobia among undergraduate students in the Faculty of Health Sciences UiTM Selangor Puncak Alam Campus. Methods: A cross-sectional study was performed on 326 undergraduate students from all programmes which were selected using simple random sampling. The instruments used in this study were adapted and adopted from Nomophobia Questionnaire (NMP-Q) by Caglar Yidrim and Ana-Paula Correia (2015) and Mobile Phone Involvement Questionnaire (MPIQ) from Shari P. Walsh (Shari P Walsh, 2009). Results: 204 (62.6%) out of 326 of the respondents had a moderate level of nomophobia while 75 (23.0%) had a severe level of nomophobia. While 46 (14.1%) of the respondent having a mild level of nomophobia and 1 (0.3%) shown no symptoms of nomophobia. Besides, a strong positive correlation (r-value= 0.604) was seen between the prevalence of nomophobia and psychosocial interaction. Conclusion: As a conclusion, the majority of the students have a moderate level of nomophobia. Besides, the result shows that students who having nomophobia show less interaction with society. Further, another study should be conducted to find the prevalence of nomophobia using different sample.

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