## APPLICATION OF LAVENDER AROMATHERAPY TO REDUCE THE INTENSITY OF DYSMENORRHEA IN ADOLESCENT WOMEN AT STATE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL 1 GONDANG

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## ABSTRACT

Background. Dysmenorrhea is the cramping, pain, and other discomfort associated with menstruation. Data from the World Health Organization (WHO) in 2020 found an incidence of 1,769,425 people (90%) of women experiencing dysmenorrhea. Non-pharmacological therapy using lavender aromatherapy can be an option for young women to treat dysmenorrhea. **Purpose.** This study aims to investigate the effects of lavender aromatherapy on reducing dysmenorrhea in young women by observing changes in two participants before and after the treatment. Method. This study is a case study research that utilizes a descriptive method. It involves observing and interviewing two young female respondents who suffer from dysmenorrhea before and after undergoing lavender aromatherapy intervention. **Results.** After the application of lavender aromatherapy to the two respondents, there was a decrease in the intensity of dysmenorrhea of Ms. E from a pain scale of 5 to a pain scale of 1 while in Nn. N there was a decrease from a pain scale of 6 to a pain scale of 3. Conclusion. After applying lavender aromatherapy to Ms. E and Ms. N there is a decrease in the pain scale from moderate pain to mild pain. This shows that lavender aromatherapy can reduce dysmenorrhea in both respondents.

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