
Knowledge and Attitude of Mothers Regarding Play Needs of Children in Selected Hospital Kothamangalam

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ABSTRACT

Play is important for the growth and development of children.

Aim: *To assess the level of knowledge and attitude of mothers regarding play needs and to find out the association and correlation between selected demographic variables.*

Materials and Methods: *A quantitative descriptive research study was conducted among 60 mothers of children admitted in selected hospital Kothamangalam. The data was analyzed using descriptive and inferential statistics. The structured Questionnaire was divided into Part 1 sociodemographic data, Part 2 to assess the knowledge Part 3 assess the attitude.*

Conclusions: *The study findings showed 8.3% of the mothers possess good level of knowledge, 83.3% have average level of knowledge and 8.3% have poor level of knowledge regarding play needs. 100% mothers have positive towards play. There is no significant association between knowledge and attitude with selected demographic variables. Hence H1 is rejected.*

INTRODUCTION

Play is universal in nature. All the children play, and they play remarkable alike. Every child play in his infancy and childhood for the growth and development. Play is an innate characteristic of child.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

A study was conducted to assess knowledge, attitude, and practice among 100 mothers regarding play needs in pediatrics OPD at PIMS Puducherry. Findings of study showed that 26% have inadequate knowledge 51% have moderately adequate knowledge and 23% have adequate knowledge regarding importance of play needs.

A study was conducted among 90 parents to assess the knowledge and attitude regarding play needs in selected areas of Dholpur District Rajasthan. Structured interview schedule was used for data collection. Findings of study showed that 52% have inadequate knowledge.[2]

MATERIALS AND METHODS

A quantitative descriptive approach was used in the study. A research design selected for the research study was a non-experimental research design. The research was conducted in MBMM hospital Kothamangalam. Tools used sociodemographic performance and Structured questionnaire to assess the knowledge and attitude regarding importance of play needs among mothers.

DATA COLLECTION PROCEDURE

The study was conducted in MBMM hospital Kothamangalam, dated from, after gaining the permission from the hospital authority. The investigators selected samples by purposive sampling. After explaining the purpose of the study and getting informed consent 60 samples were collected according to the eligibility criteria and data was collected using the tools. All the subject who participated in the study were cooperative.

RESULT

The study findings showed 8.3% have good level of knowledge, 83.3% have average level of knowledge and 8.3% have poor level of knowledge. All the mothers have positive attitude. There is no association between knowledge and attitude with selected demographic variables. Hence H1 is rejected.

DISCUSSION

The findings of the study were discussed in the terms of objectives and comparisons was made with other study findings.

The present study was undertaken to assess the knowledge and attitude regarding importance of play needs among mothers. The findings of the study was discussed with reference to related literature and have been organized under the following headings. The present study showed that there is no significant association between knowledge and attitude with selected sociodemographic variables.

FUTURE SCOPE

- 1) **Nursing Service:** Nurses can assess the knowledge and attitude regarding importance of play needs among mothers. This study can be used as an information illustration for nurses who are working.
- 2) **Education:** The result of study cab be used to identify knowledge and attitude of mothers regarding play needs.
- 3) **Nursing Research:** This can be utilized by subsequent researchers for their reference and future study.

LIMITATIONS

1)The study limited to 60 sample selected by purposive sampling technique. 2)Mothers of under five were selected.

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