## REDUCING THE GRADE OF PHLEBITIS DUE TO INTRAVENOUS THERAPY IN CHILDREN WITH ALOE VERA COMPRESS IN CEMPAKA WARD 1 KARANGANYAR DISTRICT HOSPITAL

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## **ABSTRACT**

Back Ground: Intravenous therapy is a type of treatment that is widely provided to hospitalized children. Intravenous application in a long ime causes complications in children, such as phlebitis. One of the inerventions in handling phlebitis is compressing Aloe vera which is useful because it has electrolyte in low concentration so as not to cause extravasations. Objectives: This study aims to identify the effect of Aloe vera on degree of phlebitis in hospitalized children. Method: This quasy-exsperimental study inloved 2 children selected by criteria inclution and exclution sampling. All samples received a pure Aloe vera compress. The grade of phlebitis was measured using the VIP scale before and after the intervetion. Result: This study found that the mean degree of phlebitis before treatmen was 3 with a minimum-maximum score 1-4, and after treatment, the everage grade of phlebitis was 0-1 with a minimum-maximum score 0-3. Conclusion: Aloe vera effectively decreased degree of phlebitis in children. Further research need to compare the effectiveness of Aloe vera compresess with other non-pharmacological measurements.

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