DESCRIPTION OF NURSE'S KNOWLEDGE LEVEL ABOUT HEALTHCARE ASSOCIATED INFECTIONS (HAIs) AT RSUD DR. SOEHADI PRIJONEGORO SRAGEN

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ABSTRACT

Background: *The incidence of Healthcare Associated Infections (HAIs) in Indonesia is higher than in developed countries, in Indonesia it is 15.74% while in developed countries it is only 4.8-15.5%. In Sragen district, the highest HAIs were in RSUD dr. Soehadi Prijonegoro Sragen with 9.1%. The most common cause of HAIs is because nurses do not comply with hand hygiene. Nurses knowledge level about HAIs needs to be increased in order to reduce the incidence rate.* **Objective:** *to determine the characteristics and description of the level of knowledge of nurses about Healthcare Associated Infections (HAIs) at dr. Soehadi Prijonegoro Sragen.* **Methods:** *This study used a questionnaire measuring instrument, this research method is descriptive analitic with sampling using random sampling technique with a total sample of 73 respondents.* **Results:** *The results showed the characteristics of the majority of nurses aged 41-55 years, female, Bachelor of Nursing education, and description of the level of knowledge of nurses about Healthcare Associated Infections (HAIs) at dr. Soehadi Prijonegoro Sragen is in the high category (87.7%).* **Conclusion:** *The level of knowledge of nurses about Healthcare Associated Infections (HAIs) at dr. Soehadi Prijonegoro Sragen in the high category.*

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