APPLICATION OF BALANCE EXERCISE TOWARDS THE LEVEL OF BALANCE IN REDUCING THE RISK OF FALLS IN THE ELDERLY IN JOYOTAKAN DISTRICT, SERENGAN DISTRICT, SURAKARTA CITY

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ABSTRACT

Background; Elderly people are people over 60 years old and experience changes and decline in function, giving rise to various health problems. The impact that often occurs in the elderly is a decrease in muscle and bone function, which causes the elderly to experience body imbalance and pose a risk of falls. To prevent this, it is necessary to carry out body balance exercises, namely balance exercises. Objective; To find out the results of implementing balance exercise on the level of balance in reducing the risk of falls in the elderly in Joyotakan, Serengan, Surakarta. Method; This application method uses descriptive with case studies on 2 respondents. Results; Before implementing the balance exercise on Mrs. S got a TUGT score of 23 (moderate risk of falling), after the third/final application he got a score of 16 (light risk of falling). Meanwhile, before implementing the balance exercise on Mrs. M got a TUGT score of 28 (moderate risk of falling), after the third/final application he got a score of 19 (light risk of falling). Conclusion; There is an influence of balance exercise on the level of balance which can reduce the risk of falls in the elderly.

Keywords: Balance Exercise, Fall Risk, Balance Level.