ABSTRACT

OVERVIEW OF PERSONAL HYGIENE IN CHILDREN WITH NEEDS ESPECIALLY FOR THE DISABLED AT SLB SURAKARTA CITY

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Background: Deaf children have obstacles to take care of themselves in everyday life, personal hygiene is carried the aim of maintaining health both physically and psychologically. Prevalance of tunagrahita in Surakarta City in 2023 shows that children with spacial needs 1.118 children have limitations carrying out activities such as fulfilling self-care. **Objective:** Describe the characteristics of respondents and identify personal hygiene in special needs children with tunagrahita. Methods: Descriptive quantitative, used total sampling with 153 respondents. **Results:** The characteristics of respondents based on the age child are many as (69.3%) 106 respondents, based on gender, the most men with a total of (62.1%) 95 respondents, while based on the characteristics of the mother there are ages 41-50 years with a total of (39.9%) 61 respondents, the highest last education is high school equivalent with a total of (64.1%) 98 respondents, the highest occupation is housewife with a total of (79.1%) 121 respondents and based on personal hygiene the majority with less ability as many as (42.5%) 65 respondents. Conclusion: The description of personal hygiene abilities in children with special needs with tunagraphia in the category of less as many as 65 respondents.

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