## DESCRIPTION OF MOTHER'S LEVEL OF KNOWLEDGE ON FIRST AID FOR CHOKING IN AGE CHILDREN TODDLER AT POSYANDU MERDISIWI

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## **ABSTRACT**

**Background**: Toddlers tend to put objects they find into their mouths so they can be at risk of choking. Based on data from the Emergency Ambulance Foundation (2015), 90% of children under the age of 5 die from choking. There were 25 cases of choking on toddlers at Posyandu Merdisiwi. Improper first aid for choking causes death in toddlers. Objective: to determine the level of knowledge of mothers regarding first aid for choking in toddler-aged children at Posyandu Merdisiwi. Method: this type of research uses quantitative descriptive. Sampling used a random sampling technique with inclusion and exclusion criteria, a population of 106 mothers, and a sample of 51 respondents. **Results**: the results of this study indicate that the level of knowledge of mothers regarding first aid for choking in toddlers is in the poor category of 46 respondents. **Conclusion**: Characteristics of respondents at Posyandu Merdisiwi based on most age 21-30 years. Based on the education level, most mothers are high school/equivalent, and the majority of mothers' occupations are housewives. The majority of mothers' level of knowledge regarding first aid for choking in toddler-aged children at Posyandu Merdisiwi is in the poor category.

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