

**AN OVER VIEW OF DENTAL AND ORAL HYGIENE ATTITUDES
WITH THE SEVERITY OF CARIES IN FISHERMEN'S CHILDREN AT
SDN 6 PANGANDARAN CTIY**

ABSTRACT

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Introduction: Dental and oral health as part of the health of the body, so it plays a role in determining a person's health status. The status of dental health can be seen from the presence or absence of dental diseases, including the degree of dental caries. Aspects of knowledge that a person has regarding dental health determine a person's health and oral status. However, this aspect needs to be accompanied by other components in the form of attitudes and actions that apply. **Research objectives:** Knowing " Picture of Attitude to Maintain Dental and Oral Hygiene with Severity of Caries / (CSI) in Fishermen's Children in SDN 6 Pangandaran Regency ". **Types of research:** The type of research used is descriptive research by observational means and observations carried out together at the same time (at once) with the aim to describe a phenomenon of 2 (two) variables, namely dental caries variables and attitudes. **The results of the study:** Dental and oral hygiene attitudes were obtained from good criteria of 0 people (%), medium criteria of 7 people (23.3%), and bad criteria of 23 people (76%). Dental examination using *the Caries severity index* obtained good criteria results of 0 people (%), medium criteria 11 people (33%), and bad criteria 19 people (67%). **Research conclusions:** Poor attitude in dental and oral hygiene has the potential for the severity of caries.

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