

**HUBUNGAN PERSPEKTIF ORANG TUA TERHADAP KESEHATAN
GIGI DENGAN KEJADIAN KARIES PADA ANAK USIA DINI DI
KOBER AL-MUTTAQIN DESA CIHERANG
KABUPATEN SUMEDANG**

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ABSTRAK

Latar Belakang: Kesehatan gigi dan mulut anak merupakan faktor yang harus diperhatikan sedini mungkin karena kerusakan gigi di usia dini dapat mempengaruhi pertumbuhan gigi pada usia selanjutnya. Prevalensi gigi berlubang pada anak usia dini sangat tinggi yaitu sebesar 93% yang berarti hanya 7% anak Indonesia bebas dari karies. Perspektif orang tua terhadap kesehatan gigi anak sangat penting, karena perspektif yang kurang mengenai kesehatan gigi dan mulut anak merupakan faktor predisposisi terhadap kesehatan gigi yang menimbulkan terjadinya penyakit. Orang tua perlu berwawasan luas dan memiliki kesadaran untuk melakukan perawatan terhadap kesehatan gigi anak, karena anak dengan orang tua yang berwawasan kurang mengenai kesehatan gigi mengalami peningkatan jumlah karies gigi dibandingkan anak dengan orang tua yang berwawasan luas. **Tujuan:** Menganalisis hubungan perspektif orang tua terhadap kesehatan gigi dengan kejadian karies pada anak usia dini di Kober Al-Muttaqin Desa Ciherang Kabupaten Sumedang. **Metode:** Penelitian ini menggunakan metode observasional analitik dengan pendekatan *cross-sectional*. Sampel penelitian menggunakan *purposive sampling* yaitu orang tua dan anak usia dini yang masing-masing berjumlah 38 orang. Data kemudian diolah menggunakan uji korelasi *Rank Spearman*. **Hasil:** Diperoleh hasil perspektif orang tua sebagian besar dengan kriteria kurang yaitu sebanyak 63,2%, sedang 28,9%, baik 7,9%. Kejadian karies anak usia dini sebagian besar memiliki kriteria sangat tinggi yaitu sebanyak 73,7%, tinggi 10,5%, sedang 10,5%, rendah 2,6%, sangat rendah 2,6%. Hasil uji statistik didapatkan nilai *Sig. (2-tailed)* 0,000 <0,05. **Kesimpulan:** Ada hubungan yang signifikan antara perspektif orang tua terhadap kesehatan gigi dengan kejadian karies pada anak usia dini di Kober Al-Muttaqin Desa Ciherang Kabupaten Sumedang.

Kata kunci: Perspektif, kejadian karies, orang tua, anak usia dini

**THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PARENTS' PERSPECTIVES ON
DENTAL HEALTH WITH THE INCIDENCE OF CARIES IN
EARLY CHILDHOOD AT KOBER AL-MUTTAQIN,
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ABSTRACT

Background: Children's oral health is a factor that must be considered as early as possible because tooth decay at an early age can affect tooth growth at a later age. The prevalence of cavities in early childhood is very high at 93% which means only 7% of Indonesian children are free from caries. Parents' perspective on children's dental health is very important, because a lack of perspective on children's dental and oral health is a predisposing factor to dental health that causes disease. Parents need to be broad-minded and have awareness to take care of children's dental health, because children with parents who are low-minded about dental health experience an increase in the number of dental caries compared to children with insightful parents. **Objective:** Analyze the relationship between parents' perspectives on dental health with the incidence of caries in early childhood in Kober Al-Muttaqin, Ciherang village, Sumedang Regency. **Method:** This study used analytical observational method with a cross-sectional approach. The study sample used purposive sampling, namely parents and early childhood, each of which amounted to 38 people. The data was then processed using the Spearman Rank correlation test. **Results:** The results of the perspective of parents mostly with less criteria, namely as much as 63,2%, moderate 28,9%, good 7,9%. The incidence of early childhood caries mostly has very high criteria, namely as much as 73,7%, high 10,5%, moderate 10,5%, low 2,6%, very low 2,6%. The results of statistical tests obtained Sig. (2-tailed) values of 0.000 <0.05. **Conclusion:** There is a significant relationship between parents' perspectives on dental health and the incidence of caries in early childhood in Kober Al-Muttaqin, Ciherang Village, Sumedang Regency.

Keywords: Perspective, incidence of caries, parents, early childhood