

**HUBUNGAN MOTIVASI ORANG TUA TENTANG PEMELIHARAAN
KESEHATAN GIGI DAN MULUT DENGAN PENGALAMAN KARIES
GIGI PADA ANAK USIA 6-12 TAHUN DI POLI GIGI PUSKESMAS
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ABSTRAK

Latar belakang: Karies gigi merupakan penyakit infeksi yang merusak struktur gigi. Karies gigi terjadi karena motivasi ibu terhadap anak tentang upaya perawatan gigi masih sulit dilakukan. **Tujuan penelitian:** Mengetahui hubungan motivasi orang tua tentang pemeliharaan kesehatan gigi dan mulut dengan pengalaman karies gigi pada anak usia 6-12 tahun di Poli Gigi Puskesmas Sagalaherang Kabupaten Subang. **Metodologi:** metode yang digunakan adalah survei deskriptif *cross sectional*, populasi dalam penelitian ini adalah orang tua dan anak usia 6-12 tahun yang berkunjung ke Poli Gigi Puskesmas Sagalaherang Kabupaten Subang pada bulan Oktober 2023 pengambilan sampel menggunakan *accidental sampling*. Analisa data menggunakan uji statistika dengan *uji rank spearman*. **Hasil penelitian:** Motivasi orang tua tentang pemeliharaan kesehatan gigi dan mulut pada anak usia 6-12 tahun sebagian besar dengan kriteria rendah (64,7%), pengalaman karies gigi pada anak usia 6-12 tahun sebagian besar dengan kriteria tinggi (58,8%). Analisis *rank spearman* didapatkan nilai p-value= 0,032 ($p<0,05$), artinya ada hubungan motivasi orang tua tentang pemeliharaan kesehatan gigi dan mulut dengan pengalaman karies gigi pada anak usia 6-12 tahun. **Kesimpulan:** Terdapat hubungan motivasi orang tua tentang pemeliharaan kesehatan gigi dan mulut dengan pengalaman karies gigi pada anak usia 6-12 tahun di Poli Gigi Puskesmas Sagalaherang Kabupaten Subang.

Kata Kunci : Motivasi, pemeliharaan kesehatan gigi dan mulut, karies, anak

**THE RELATIONSHIP OF PARENTS' MOTIVATION REGARDING
DENTAL AND ORAL HEALTH MAINTENANCE AND THE EXPERIENCE
OF DENTAL CARIES IN CHILDREN AGED 6-12 YEARS AT THE DENTAL
POLY OF THE SAGALAHERANG HEALTH CENTER, SUBANG DISTRICT**

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ABSTRACT

Introduction: Dental caries is an infectious disease that damages tooth structure. Dental caries occurs because the mother's motivation for children regarding dental care is still difficult. Research objective: To determine the relationship between parental motivation regarding maintaining oral health and the experience of dental caries in children aged 6-12 years at the Sagalaherang Dental Polyclinic Health Center, Subang Regency. Methodology: the method used was a cross sectional descriptive survey, the population in this study were parents and children aged 6-12 years who visited the Dental Polyclinic at the Sagalaherang Community Health Center, Subang Regency in October 2023, sampling using accidental sampling. Data analysis used statistical tests with the Spearman rank test. Research results: The motivation of parents regarding maintaining oral health in children aged 6-12 years is mostly low criteria (64.7%), the experience of dental caries in children aged 6-12 years is mostly high criteria (58.8 %). Spearman's rank analysis obtained a p-value = 0.032 ($p < 0.05$), meaning that there is a relationship between parental motivation regarding maintaining oral health and the experience of dental caries in children aged 6-12 years. Conclusion: There is a relationship between parental motivation regarding maintaining oral health and the experience of dental caries in children aged 6-12 years at the Sagalaherang Community Health Center Dental Clinic, Subang Regency.

Keywords: Motivation, maintaining oral health, caries, children