

**GAMBARAN PENGETAHUAN TENTANG PENYAKIT MENULAR
DAN KEPATUHAN PENGGUNAAN ALAT PELINDUNG DIRI
PADA TERAPIS GIGI DAN MULUT DI PUSKESMAS
KABUPATEN GARUT**

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ABSTRAK

Latar Belakang : Penyakit menular terjadi karena adanya interaksi antara *agent*, pejamu (*host*), dan lingkungan (*environment*) serta proses tranmisi. Alat Pelindung Diri merupakan alat yang digunakan untuk melindungi petugas tenaga kesehatan dari risiko paparan darah semua jenis cairan tubuh, dan selaput lendir pasien. Terapis Gigi dan Mulut tidak lepas dari berbagai faktor risiko yang memungkinkan terjadinya penularan penyakit. **Tujuan :** Menggambarkan pengetahuan penyakit menular dan kepatuhan penggunaan Alat Pelindung Diri pada terapis gigi dan mulut di puskesmas Kabupaten Garut. **Metode :** Penelitian ini menggunakan metode deskriptif dengan rancangan survei dengan populasi 125 Terapis Gigi dan Mulut. Teknik sampling menggunakan *Purposive Sampling* dan didapatkan sebanyak 55 responden. Alat ukur penelitian ini berupa lembar kuesioner 20 soal pengetahuan penyakit menular yang diadopsi dan dimodifikasi dari buku Namjah (2016), dan 20 soal kepatuhan penggunaan APD yang diadopsi dari Karya Tulis Ilmiah Wiwik Wahyuni (2020). **Hasil :** Pengetahuan tentang penyakit menular dan kepatuhan penggunaan APD pada terapis gigi dan mulut di Puskesmas Kabupaten Garut diperoleh hasil total skor pengetahuan penyakit menular sebanyak 3.395 dengan rata-rata (65,5%) berkriteria cukup dari 55 responden, dan diperoleh total skor sebanyak 3.351 dengan rata-rata (61%) berkriteria patuh dari 55 responden. **Kesimpulan :** Rata-rata pengetahuan tentang penyakit menular dan kepatuhan penggunaan APD pada terapis gigi dan mulut di puskesmas Kabupaten Garut berkriteria cukup dan patuh.

Kata Kunci : Pengetahuan tentang penyakit menular dan kepatuhan penggunaan Alat Pelindung Diri pada Terapis Gigi dan Mulut.

Referensi : 2016 (2014-2023)

**OVERVIEW OF KNOWLEDGE ABOUT INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND
COMPLIANCE WITH THE USE OF PERSONAL PROTECTIVE
EQUIPMENT AMONG DENTAL AND ORAL THERAPISTS AT THE
GARUT DISTRICT HEALTH CENTER**

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ABSTRACT

Background: Infectious diseases occur due to interactions between the agent, host and environment as well as the transmission process. Personal Protective Equipment is a tool used to protect health workers from the risk of exposure to blood, all types of body fluids, and the patient's mucous membranes. Dental and Oral Therapists cannot be separated from various risk factors that allow disease transmission. **Objective:** To describe knowledge of infectious diseases and compliance with the use of personal protective equipment among dental and oral therapists at Garut Regency health centers. **Method:** This study used a descriptive method with a survey design with a population of 125 Dental and Oral Therapists. The sampling technique used purposive sampling and obtained 55 respondents. The measuring tool for this research is a questionnaire with 20 questions on knowledge of infectious diseases which was adopted and modified from Namjah's book (2016), and 20 questions on compliance with the use of PPE which were adopted from Wiwik Wahyuni's Scientific Writing (2020). **Results:** Knowledge of infectious diseases and compliance with the use of APD among dental and oral therapists at the Garut Regency Community Health Center resulted in a total score of knowledge of infectious diseases of 3,395 with an average (65.5%) of sufficient criteria from 55 respondents, and a total score of 3,351 was obtained. with an average (61%) compliance criteria from 55 respondents. **Conclusion:** The average knowledge about infectious diseases and compliance with the use of PPE among dental and oral therapists at the Garut Regency health center is sufficient and compliant.

Keywords: Knowledge about infectious diseases and compliance with the use of personal protective equipment among dental and oral therapists.

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