

Qualitative study: the mothers experience in caring children with acute respiratory infection (ARI)

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Abstrak

Qualitative study that explores the mother 's experience in caring the children with Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI) is still limited ARI especially pneumonia is a major cause of morbidity and mortality in children under five years in Indonesia. In a study of rural communities, Sutrisna (1993) found that 30 out of 139 children under five of age with pneumonia die without treatment. The purpose of this study was to explore the mother's experience in caring the children with ARI.

The results from this study can be used to target for health education and health promotion in controlling and decreasing the incidence of ARI. This study used phenomenology with 10 informants who had child under five of age. Purposive sampling was chosen as a strategy for sample selection. In this study, data were collected using in depth interview with open question and recorded. Colaizzi method was used to analyze the data. There were three themes identified by this study including the perception of ARI, the first action for sick child, and the special care for sick child.