

ASSOCIATION BETWEEN PERCEIVED BARRIER AND ATTITUDE OF NASYIATUL AISYIYAH CADRES TOWARDS STUNTING PREVENTION PROGRAM IN BOYOLALI, CENTRAL JAVA

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ABSTRACT

Background: Numerous interventions to improve maternal and child nutrition have been implemented, e.g., micronutrient supplementation for both the mother and her child, deworming, a nationwide campaign on the first 1000 days of a child's life to change behaviors around maternal care and maternal and child nutrition, timing and appropriate diet for complementary feeding, child care and hygiene. Although many interventions in reducing childhood stunting has already been established, however, the implementation of the intervention at the community level is yet to be proven. This study aimed to examine the association between perceived barrier and cadre's attitude toward stunting prevention program.

Subjects and Method: This was a cross sectional study conducted in Boyolali, Central Java, from December 1, 2020 to January 4, 2021. A sample of 80 Nasyyiatul Aisyiyah cadres was selected by convenience sampling. The dependent variable was attitude. The independent variable was perceived barrier. The primary data was obtained from a questionnaire. The data were analyzed by Chi square test.

Results: Low perceived barrier increased positive attitude of Nasyyiatul Aisyiyah cadres toward stunting prevention program (OR= 1.58; 95% CI= 0.63 to 3.81; p= 0.455).

Conclusion: Low perceived barrier increases positive attitude of Nasyyiatul Aisyiyah cadres toward stunting prevention program.

Keywords: perceived barrier, cadre, attitude, STOP Stunting Program, stunting prevention

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