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### ABSTRACT

Every utterances are speech act because humans utter their utterances with intentions behind their utterances (Robinson, 2006). One of speech community which employ speech acts in their communication is midwives and patients. This study aims to find what speech acts are mostly used by the midwives and patients and why those speech acts are used. Qualitative research approach through a case study inquiry is implemented in this study. The conversation between midwives and patients were recorded for the data. In analyzing the data, the writer uses speech acts theory proposed by Charles W. Kreidler (1998). The result shows that *assertive* utterances are mostly used, especially by the midwives. Since it is a consultation, the midwives frequently give information to the patient based on the empirical fact while the patients frequently use assertive to report their experience. While speech act appears the least is *performative* type for the patients and *expressive* type for the midwives. The analysis leads to a conclusion that the position of the speakers are also related to the types of speech acts and the speech functions they employ.

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