

ABSTRACT

The Relationship Between Nutritional Status and Nutrition Parenting With The Development Of Toddlers Ages 6-24 Months In The Working Area Of Banyuurip Health Center Purworejo Regency In January 2010

The nation-building in developing countries is largely determined by the human resources (HR). The formation of HR quality is very dependent of the growth and development process at an early age. Nutritional need is only the most important influence on the growth and development of toddlers. Reports from the Banyuurip health center Purworejo regency, in 2009 the range of early detection growth was only 38% and there were suspect results for child development. This study aimed to identify the nutritional status, nutrition parenting and development of children aged 6-24 months, and to determine the relationship between nutritional status and nutrition parenting with the development of toddlers ages 6-24 months in the working area of Banyuurip health center Purworejo regency in January 2010. This study used analytic observational design and cross-sectional data retrieval technique. Samples were amount to 160 children taken from the entire population of 534 children aged 6-24 months with simple random sampling technique. The instruments consisted of questionnaires, *dacin* (weight portable balance scale), microtoise and Denver II pieces. Data analysis used Chi-Square test.

Based on research results, the nutritional status according to the index weight/age was 92.5% good, height/age was 76.5% good, weight/height was 86.9% good, parenting good nutrition was 46.3% and 81.9% of the development children was normal. The calculations showed that there was a relationship between nutritional status according to the index of weight/age, nutritional status according to the index of weight/height and parenting nutrition with the development of children aged 6-24 months. The nutritional status according to the index height/age did not show any relationship to the development of children aged 6-24 months.

It is recommended to health professionals to improve the quality of care services, especially in nutrition increase programs and to increase range of early detection of growth and development.

Key words : *development, nutritional status, nutrition parenting, toddlers.*