Understanding mobile application development and implementation to monitor Posyandu data in Indonesia: a 3-years hybrid action research to build "a bridge" from community to national use

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Abstract

Background. There is little evidence available to better understand how mobile health application technology on mother and child health is designed. This study aimed: (a) to explore community health worker (CHW)/cadre and mothers’ activities information related with Posyandu, as well as inputs and feedbacks in developing the Posyandu mobile application, (b) to compare between training and implementation phases of the application, (c) and to see the potential use of the Posyandu mobile application in the country.

Method. Using a hybrid method in which the action research principles and qualitative-quantitative methods were synergistically combined for the end users. The study was conducted in Pasawahan sub-district, Purwakarta, Indonesia from 2017 to 2019. Content analysis, coding and categorizing were done using NVivo 12 Pro for the transcribed data. Wilcoxon Test (2018 and 2019) was conducted using STATA 15 Special Edition.

Results. (1) the use of CHW notebook for data entry in Posyandu information system book made a long delay in the data reporting process, thus, the development of mobile application would be necessary, (2) there were significant differences of CHW’s knowledge ($p=0.000$) and skills ($p=0.0097$) on training (2018) and Posyandu phases (2019), (3) As many as 964 posyandu are registered to Posyandu mobile application from almost all provinces in Indonesia.

Conclusions. The 3-years hybrid approach suggests the crucial phases to build a mobile application in a more user-friendly manner that can replace the CHW’s old-fashion book use, and that it is promising for national use.

Background

The mobile health application technology practice in the health sector has been applied for public use and generate more effective improvement (1, 2). However, its application may be complex due to the issue of practicability among the community health worker (CHW)/cadre of mother child health (MCH) services in the Indonesian setting, known as the integrated service post or Posyandu (2). A qualitative action research can be implemented to explore the plausibility of an android-based health application and continued with its development (3, 4). Recent systematic reviews suggest little evidence to better
understand how mobile health application tool is designed using the qualitative approach in order to enable performance of the CHW in community-based mother and child health services (5-8).

A qualitative approach in action research is crucial to construct a foundation evidence to design an android-based application. It is conducted to explore the information on how to adjust and prepare the acceptability of the CHWs and mothers to the practice of new intervention where technical problems such as mobile network overage, internet access and maintenance of the gadget may be challenging (9). To adjust the CHWs’ work into a new improvement, understanding the principal to the technical scope of ideas from the previous activities in running Posyandu is important. The Posyandu activities consist of 5 categories: registration, height and weight measurement, documentation, education and healthcare (family planning, immunization). Based on the activities, Posyandu is divided into four levels, named in order, as follows: Pratama (performance of 5 Posyandu activities by less than 5 CHWs in an irregular recurring interval), Madya (consists of Pratama + more than 8 times of activities performance per year), Purnama (consists of Madya + independent community-fund with less than 50% participants) and Mandiri (consists of Purnama + more than 50% participants). During the registration, a national repost form called the Posyandu Information System (PIS) book provided by the Ministry of Home Affairs has to be filled by the CHWs and supervised by a village midwife. However, a long queue arises as another problem because the CHWs need to find mothers’ and children’s names in order to fill in the PIS book (10).

To adjust with the time constraint, the CHWs found an idea to write the mothers’ and children’ names and data in a book for a temporary purpose prior to rewriting them into a monthly and yearly national report format. Later, after the Posyandu activities, they open the PIS book and enter the data. However, the CHWs’ time is limited due to the family time while data entry and report is time consuming. Preparing a new intervention to support the CHW is done by exploring the CHW’s point of view on their habits in running Posyandu and designing the intervention. This is important because the CHWs have a main role to connect between the community and national level through the healthcare providers in the Public Health Centres (PHC) that are distributed across the country (11). In Bahasa Indonesia, the term PHC is referred to as Puskesmas. The CHWs have to provide a monthly
report to link between the community condition and Puskesmas’ policy to decide the budget for the community health programs.

Scaling up the CHWs’ capability and supporting their data monitoring and reporting or evaluation within a flexible time to fulfil their role is a main factor for sustaining the program in Posyandu (11). There are many mobile technologies for health that are implemented amongst low- and middle-income country. Then, identifying the key obstacles in its implementation is a continuing process (12).

Monthly report on the data extracted from the Posyandu Information System (PIS), namely those related to the comprising nutrition data of infants to children under 5 years old, mother pregnancy, post-partum data include exclusive breastfeeding data and couple in reproductive age, is required for Puskesmas midwife. In this study, the PIS design on the intervention to ease the data entry and reporting works was conducted based on the information acquired from the CHWs and mothers.

There are many strategies that can be done to increase the participation of mothers to come to Posyandu, such as data monitoring of the nutrition status of babies and children under 5 years old, immunization status including pregnancy mothers data, nutrition counselling by the CHW to control MCH programs, and emphasizing the benefits of Posyandu (10, 13). Data documentation and report are important to store the data, which can be a basis of the evidence-based strategies and their effectiveness evaluation for Posyandu. It can help Puskesmas and village office to allocate necessary budget to improve the existing prevention program in a manner that will give the feedback for the results of each program. In a recent literature review, measuring the effectiveness of the MCH prevention intervention by the CHWs is a very important step for MCH program of a country (14).

Data documentation and report by the CHWs in Posyandu has been problematic in Indonesia because of many activities that are handled by the CHWs such as inviting mothers and their children or babies, sweeping them when they are not coming to Posyandu, communicating with sub-village and religious leaders in order to influence every households to build a community engagement to bring mothers and children to Posyandu. After asking the participation of mothers and children/babies, the CHWs would manage the registration in Posyandu, measure weight and height data of the babies and children, document the data, educate mothers and refer them and their babies to the village midwife.
for an immunization appointment. The intervention regarding data documentation and report that is fit with the emerging problems in Posyandu require a key problem identification to be the basis of an initiation to work in developing solutions. This study aimed: (a) to explore community health worker (CHW) and mothers’ activities information related with Posyandu, as well as the inputs and feedbacks in developing the Posyandu mobile application, (b) to compare between training and implementation phases of the application, (c) and to see the potential use of the Posyandu mobile application in the country.

Method
Action research is a research comprising of a stepwise development which begins with an assessment to identify initial ideas, implementation, and feedback for improving the ideas. The steps after the improved ideas are improved implementation, more feedback and subsequent steps are repeating so forth. In this case, the initial ideas need to fit with the needs of certain community to prepare an implementation/intervention to help the CHWs in making report of Posyandu data. The information is important to develop a plan to design an intervention starting from the initial blueprint and should be presented to the community in order to create an improvement such as the intervention design and further action steps in delivering the intervention. The ideas and intervention are also required to prepare for the advocacy to relevant stakeholders e.g. government and or private sectors. The combination of action research principles, qualitative and quantitative (hybrid approach) methods are synergistically applied for end users, in this case, the CHWs and mothers, in 8 phases: (1) Analysing and understanding users’ activities which refer to a process of exploring their activities in Posyandu, (2) Making a prototype design on paper, (3) Evaluating the design with the users by presenting and discussing it. Any feedback is correction for step 2, then proceed to step 3, (4) Designing the prototype, (5) Creating a dynamic design prototype or a dynamic design that is a programmed with planned features but still not in the executed form, (6) Evaluating design with the users to decrease miscommunication, (7) Evaluating the executed prototype and the coded version, and (8) implementing the final version of the user interface. User interface design is an activity to ensure that good user interface program design is complimented with good quality of program. The initial action
research is conducted in qualitative approach because the community insights have to be developed after the observation of information. Thus, the intervention can fulfil the needs in the community. In phases 1 to 3 the qualitative design was used for phase 4-5. Then in phase 6 to 8, the mixed-method (embedded quantitative-qualitative approaches) design was employed to identify the end users’ knowledge and skills including their feedback in using the application (Figure 1).

In the qualitative research method, a focus group discussions (FGDs) of 6-15 informants which included the CHWs and mothers in 2017, the CHWs in 2018, and the CHW and Midwives from each village in 2019 were established. This method was implemented because these population were considered as a higher response group who were able to use smartphone mobile application technology, and midwives’ role as supervisor of Posyandu in every village. The research was conducted in Pasawahan sub-district, Purwakarta district, West Java province, Indonesia. We interviewed the informants of focus group discussion (FGD) by using open questions about the problems that arose when running the Posyandu to understand their solution. Inputs were given for the solution, followed by feedbacks when the solution was implemented. Sample qualitative was chosen using a purposive sample technique according to their activity and ability to use smartphone. Illustration for this explanation is provided in Figure 2.

In order to enable the cadres to operate Posyandu mobile application, an instruction/user guide training is required. The qualitative data was acquired by implementing the FGD with Posyandu cadres to explore their opinion on the Posyandu mobile application instruction. The FGD was conducted with 12 Posyandu cadres representing each village in Pasawahan sub-district. The information acquired was used to establish a Posyandu mobile application guide needed by the cadres. After the user guide creation process was completed, it was then given to the cadres as an application use reference during the training.

After that, a quantitative data was collected to assess the cadres’ knowledge and skills in using Posyandu mobile application during the training. The knowledge assessment was conducted using questionnaires, while the skill assessment was conducted through a quantitative observation using a
checklist. During the observation process, the researchers were assisted by selected 10 cadres (those who were most active and trained) to be facilitators.

The facilitators were trained in using Posyandu mobile application based on the instruction book. Each facilitator should be able to operate Posyandu mobile application and to guide the cadres on how to use Posyandu mobile application. Each facilitator was provided with an android/tablet and in charge of 8-10 cadres. The facilitators organized a visit schedule to the cadres under their responsibility. For a month, Posyandu cadres were guided by Posyandu mobile application implementation trainer using the provided tablet/handphone in rotation.

The treatment group consisted of the cadres who fulfilled the inclusion criteria (active cadre) and participated in the Posyandu mobile application training for one day with an instruction book and guided by a trained cadre facilitator. The control group comprising cadres with the inclusion criteria and only participated in the one-day training. The knowledge and skill assessments were conducted one month after the training (2018) and during the implementation of Posyandu (2019).

The quantitative research sample size was counted based on the objective to test the significance between groups and between two points of time (training time and implementation at Posyandu time). We used per group sample equation from Hulley SB, et al, 2007 using \( \alpha = 0.05 \) (two-tailed hypothesis), \( \beta = 0.10 \), effect size from previous research 0.56 (Park, Han, & Kaid, 2013)(15), resulted in a number of 72 to 86 respondents(16).

To see the impact from the local use to national use, we published the application on Google Play in December 2018. We analysed the distribution of registered Posyandu on the mobile application in the country. We used our admin website to download the excel file comprising all Posyandu that have registered to the Posyandu mobile application and stored the data in one database server. Firstly, we checked the data quality using STATA version 15.1 Special Edition License, and then secondly, to make a distribution map, we employed QGIS version 2.6 (open source) shapefile of 34 provinces in Indonesia to map the registered Posyandu until 31 December 2019.

**Analysis**

In qualitative analysis, we coded and categorized the answers of mothers and CHWs into problems
when running Posyandu mobile application and solution suggestions to sustain its operations to improve efficiency. We dragged and grouped similar answers quote to a node/code and use the grouping’s insight to name the node. We wished to build and understand the important connection between the needs and solution suggestions to be used as inputs to the mobile health application design. The analysis used content analysis nodes in NVivo 12 Pro License. The context of diagram and entity relationship diagram were extracted from the application program maker software. Subsequently, the results were exported and therefore can be displayed as a report. As for the quantitative data analysis, we used STATA version 15.1 Special Edition License to observe the significance of implementing T Test dependent or Wilcoxon Test as an alternative if data is not normally distributed. We also analysed effect by looking at Z score (Standardized test statistic, which is produced by STATA) divided by √N (N is number of all respondents) for time difference (training time, 2018, and implementation time, 2019)(17).

Results

**Result of Data flow diagram in the database**

Definition of the Scope of System

Posyandu information system is a system which is developed to support Posyandu data management and analysis. Data are documented by the CHWs which include the username dan password, mother identity, pregnant mother and giving birth mother, physical examination of pregnant mother, babies and under 5 identity, physical examination of babies and under 5 identity. This information can also be seen by the CHWs in the monthly report section of the application. The form is already categorized into the monthly and yearly national form. Meanwhile, parents can see the information about their babies and under five by performing the following steps: registering username and password, login, and choosing their babies or children whose data have been inputted by the CHWs previously. Afterwards, other information that can be seen by the parents (mother) are their identity, physical examination (of pregnant mother), their babies and under 5 identity, physical examination of their babies and under 5 identity, and mother and child health book. The information is depicted in figure 3.
Qualitative result on the initial phase (2017)
The first result was the qualitative part of the study with the CHWs and mothers combined in one table and divided into themes, key insights and quotes.

Table 1 shows the delay time problem of data entry and report in a community-based mother and child health (MCH) service in Indonesia, which requires a mobile application for CHW and mothers. For CHW, it can help the data input process for Posyandu. As for mothers, it can help to view their babies/under five children’s growth and development. Figure 4 illustrates the initial phase of the mobile application for CHWs/cadre and mothers.

Qualitative result on the middle phase (2018)
Table 2 (at the end of the document) illustrates the qualitative data analysis during the study in 2018 on 10 themes as indicated in the table.

Qualitative result on the final phase (2019)
In the table 3 below there are feedbacks from the cadres and village midwives on the development of application version to be a better one.

We analyse the advantages and disadvantages in the implementation of this application as indicated in the table 4 below (at the end of the document) from the side of the user, organization, technology and environment.

Evaluation of the cadre’s knowledge and skills in the implementation of Posyandu mobile application during the training (2018) and Posyandu activities (2019) were conducted as an ongoing research. In this intertemporal comparative study, from the previous research respondents in 2018 which consisted of 171 Posyandu cadres in the territory of Pasawahan Sub-District, Purwakarta District, there was a decline of 8.77% in 2019 because there were some respondents who were lost to follow up as many as 15 people in both groups. The rest of the respondents that could be evaluated amounted to 79 people in the treatment group and 77 in the control group. Henceforth, the total number respondents that could be assessed was 156 people.

The difference of knowledge during the training in 2018 and the implementation of Posyandu application mobile during the Posyandu activities in 2019 is shown in table 6 below.
Based on table 6, the cadre’s knowledge and skills during the training and Posyandu activities have a significant average score difference equals to the value of p<0.05. This score shows that there is a difference of knowledge and skills between the training period and the performance of Posyandu activities. Effect for knowledge and skill, were 0.34 (medium) and 0.21 (small), respectively according to Cohen(17, 18).

As many as 964 posyandu are registered to Posyandu mobile application from almost all provinces in Indonesia. The highest number recorded is located in the study area which is in West Java (34.54%), the rest is located in other provinces that shown their interest to register their Posyandu. After West Java, in an orderly manner from the highest number of registrations are Belitung, Jakarta, Central Java and Yogyakarta, while there is no registration from North Kalimantan and Maluku.

Discussion
Starting a qualitative research as part of the action research is an important step to create a basis, thus it can help to develop the intervention that fit with the community problems as well as their knowledge and skills to adjust with the intervention(19). Some researches started formulating an intervention directly from their mind without involving the mindset of the targeted community(20). This manner will engender a potential bias when performing the intervention. The bias can be in the form of a knowledge bias in the sense of gap between the intervention maker or expert-driven method (which is a top-down maker) and the end-user of the intervention(20, 21). Creativity in creating mobile health intervention should begin not only with a theory-driven process but also by exploring information from the end-user in terms of the targeted community(22). Then, the intervention designer should build the details of the intervention design based on the explored information. The previous researches compared different top-down and bottom-up applications, where it was revealed that a bottom-up application was more effective in the community(20). The hybrid approach comprising starting with a qualitative research, then followed by a quantitative research such as to quantify the significance of the implementation effect, which will render it more efficient and effective for the next improvement (action research). This effect can be accompanied by a qualitative research embedded with a quantitative research in the view to deepen the context of the
reasons underlying the quantitative research result (23).

The application procedure is considered as good if it is established and displayed based on the community feedback because the culturally embedded factors are important to be explored (24). In the context of this research, Posyandu cadres and mothers are related in the data flow diagram (DFD) which is the ‘kitchen’ or back-end of this application. DFD consists of what the cadres and mothers do and what they get from this application. From the previous researches it is understood that building an application based on the feedback of the application user candidate will juxtapose the user’s local context usage perception gap to the designer to support the community’s adaptation and acceptance (25). The mobile application technology design can support more benefits in the establishment of strong partnerships between stakeholders to leverage the community capacity and empowerment e.g. CHWs and mothers (26, 27). The empowerment needs a capacity building to maintain the CHWs and mothers’ knowledge and skills to perform screening in the community (28). In Indonesian health system, the access to screening in Posyandu which is performed and documented using Posyandu mobile health application by trained CHWs can strongly help the government to improve the data management and thus the quality of information. The village midwife, nutrition and health promotion staffs of Puskesmas has a role to help the cadres activities including to validate the data of Posyandu before reporting it to Puskesmas (29).

The advantage of using mobile health for cadres is supported by a review literature conducted by Braun in 2013 where in general the CHWs has a role in the use of mobile technology in collecting a filed-based health data, obtain warning and reminder, facilitate health education sessions, and conduct a person-to-person communication. A programmed effort from the cadres can strengthen the health services performance which focuses on the compliance enhancement towards the standards and guidelines, education and community training, as well as leadership practice and management practice. Studies which have evaluated the program results have given some evidence that mobile health application (m-health) assisted the community health workers in enhancing the provided treatment quality, services efficiency, and program monitoring capacity (5). In addition, a similar research also revealed that m-health application is considered as beneficial for community health
workers because it can help with their duties, support clinical decisions and to send instant data and feedback on the performance (30). Another finding indicated that mobile-based data collection increased the data collection punctuality, decrease the error level and enhance the data completeness (8).

Although in general the cadre’s knowledge and skills in Posyandu mobile application implementation in the field have reached expectations, the implementation of a new information system is not easy because there are many influencing factors in the said implementation. The first factor is the user factor. The implementation of a new information system will be successful if each user has a similar performance expectation, which is to believe that Posyandu mobile application can ease their work burden. Performance expectation is a strong predictor from information system utilization interest (31-33). Apart from that is the usage facility, which is defined as when an individual feel certain that using the said system does not require any extra effort (34, 35).

By using a personal handheld phone, the cadre feels more freedom to learn Posyandu mobile application thus there is more time for the cadre to learn to operate it. The increase in the cadre’s skills is possible because the cadre performs an independent learning. Although the cadres only received a dissemination of information and then they learn to operate the application independently they have similar knowledge and skills with the group of cadres that received a specific training. This is in line with a previous South African research in 2018, where the explorative study demonstrated that the respondent assessment value dramatically increased although an intervention had not been given. The interview result gives an overview that the cadres often gathered together and created bigger study groups (36). In the further action research, a quantitative research can be performed to objectively evaluate a video education that is embedded as part of the mobile application. This can also be continued by monitoring the steps because we want to identify the development of the cost-effectiveness to strengthen a strong partnership when we do advocacy programs to different stakeholders (37).

Conclusions

Hybrid approach is a very important and meaningful step in providing the basis of an intervention to
fit with the community needs in relation to the MCH services on data documentation and reporting. 3-years hybrid approach suggests the ideal phases in providing the basis to build a mobile application in a more user-friendly manner and corroborates with the community needs in relation with Posyandu services on data documentation and report. It can also replace the CHWs’ old fashion book use and build “a bridge” to the national use and national level reporting.

As for the community, the cadre’s skills should demonstrate an improvement because skills are necessary for the cadre during the performance of Posyandu services in the field. A short dissemination of information followed by a continuing monitoring, independent learning and user-friendly application condition will result in the cadre’s knowledge and skills that may be equally satisfying either for the group of cadres that receive training or the one that perform an independent learning by using Posyandu mobile application. For further development, an addition of education video in the application on how to use the application is recommended to replace the role of socialization.

**Abbreviations**

CHW: community health worker/cadre; MCH: mother child health; PHC: Public health centre; PIS: Posyandu information system; FGD: focus group discussion; IT: information technology; SOP: standard of procedure; DFD: data flow diagram

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the consent, continued to be part of the research. In the application, on terms and condition part, we also put explanations regarding the information about keeping their privacy prior to agreement.

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Tables

Table 1. Focus Group Discussion results of CHWs, Mothers activities and list of mobile health application features

| Theme | Key insight | Noteworthy quotes |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|
| 1.     | The direct use of CHW's notebook for MCH service | “The notebook can be directly used to document mother attendance. The 5 years old child is also written in the notebook, the 3 years old is also written. But it is not in a orderly manner” |
|       |            | “Yes right, after that we have to write the names to the Posyandu information system book in an orderly manner” |
|       |            | “If the data is written directly to the PIS as the mothers come, it will make my head blown, confusing” |
|       |            | “For example, this (child), the child is taken care by another person (because) the mother is working” |
|       |            | “Yes, nowadays it’s the grandmother who takes care of the baby, not the mother” |
|       |            | “Or maybe the child is taken care by the neighbour or other family members” |
|       |            | “With Posyandu it is possible to check the development” |
Children, examine pregnant mothers, immunization

“It’s like a tool, but it can be re-accessed, like archive. Because we need it when puskesmas requests (a report sometimes it can be accessed again”

“(We) need to know our child development, so we can monitor by ourselves for our child”

“Yes, so we can privately look at it. So, we don’t have to ask the CHW, “I want to see my son’s data, so how?” It is just not practical”

“First, we click on Posyandu app, then we register in it, after that we click it once more, then we are connected to our children’s data”

“So, there should be a 12-month format in the reporting form to know whether the weight of the baby increases or decreases”

“So, the format is similar with the PIS, but the mobile version is much more organized.”

“It would be better if the date can be automatically sorted so it won’t be a hassle to find the baby’s date of birth like, “Oh this baby was born on such date, this one on such date”. Would be easier if (the app) can automatically sort alphabetically when we enter the contact.”

“The good (growth graph) is the green one, right? This yellow one means that it’s below (average)”...which is at least there is this graph, not for the toddler’s overall graph”

“Excuse me, ma’am, there is a bit feedback for that point, it’s possible the increase and decrease status to be automatic. Such as, last month (the child’s weight) was such number, this month it’s such number, so that number to be automatically appear”
The ends of mobile application to monitor babies, under-five-children and mother need mobile application to report to Puskesmas. Mother needs mobile application to monitor their under-five-children. Monitoring CHW.
1. Main list of features
   - Reporting form in 12 months
   - Similar with reporting form used in Puskesmas
   - Baby data input to be automatic data when the app is re-opened
   - Child growth graph
   - Automatic alert of child development

Table 2. Qualitative Research Data Analysis on Posyandu Cadre FGD

| No | Theme                        | Key Insight          | Noteworthy Quotes                                                                 |
|----|------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Toddler Data Input           | a. Toddler body weight measurement                  |
|    |                              | “Monthly weight data is automatically noted”         |
|    |                              | “We don’t measure the height monthly, only on 12 months” |
|    |                              | “The measurement method is by lying (the child or standing up)” |
| 2  | Toddler Data Display | a. Toddler data can be accessed anytime | b. Toddler measurement result display |
|----|----------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
|    |                      | “So, every month is like the last month, for example baby is measured in January, in February is me as well, for the February report will appear when we click the child’s name” | “Sometimes the parents are like this, ‘ma’am does baby’s weight increase or not?’ , then we can show data in the application” |
| 3 | **Posyandu Mobile Application Components** | a. **Posyandu** mobile application menu 
   b. **Online report** | “There are baby’s names, the ups and downs of toddler data, pregnant mothers, breastfeeding mothers, etc”
   “We want it to be like that, through an online reporting so we don’t need to measure the number of decreases” |
| 4 | **Benefits of Posyandu Mobile Application** | a. **Posyandu reporting and recording** is easier 
   b. **Ease cadre’s duties in Posyandu** | “Directly input the data, enter the data so the report will be directly submitted to Puskesmas”
   “So, the recording division does not need to note manually to the SIP book, but the input can be done through the application” |
| 5 | **Cadre’s obstacle in using Posyandu mobile application** | a. **Confused / Need to adapt** 
   b. **Unsuccessful** | “A while ago some data was successfully stored, some were unsuccessful”
   “During Posyandu working day it will remain crowded, so the data entry will be done after the end” |
| 6 | Learning process | a. Cadr e’s kno wledge on Posy andu mobile appli cation  
   b. Cadr e’s skills on the use of Posy andu mobile appli cation  
   c. Cadr es need mor e training | “We were trained, one post held the tool, we re training to enter the data”  
   “We think we can use it because we are used and play with handphone. But before the application should be made available first”  
   “When it’s time to learn, all of us should be ga like a training” |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7 | Posy andu mobile application guidebook | a. Signifi cance of Posy andu  
   b. Different formats | “A guidebook is necessary because we often things”  
   “A small format is appropriate” (while the woman pointed at an A5 paper) |
| Information in the guidebook | a. Instruction | “In the manual guidebook there should instruction and screenshot” |
|-----------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                             | b. How to register an account/login | “Such as how to do login and accompanied screenshot beside” |
|                             | c. How to input | “For example, if we want to input toddler data should click this if we want to add it” |
|                             |                | “Usually, pregnant mother data has a record number of children” |
| 8                           |                |                                                                    |
|   | Cadre’s hopes | Cadre’s worries |
|---|---------------|-----------------|
| 9 | Table/HP provision | Internet quota availability |
| 10 | “Yes, if there are three Posyandu in a village then there should be three (tablet/HP) in a village” “If using the application if possible then so be it, I can’t wait to use it” | “Well, Posyandu does not have the budget, I asked villagers about the internet quota fee and they shook their heads” |

Table 3. Qualitative Research Result on the Cadre and Village Midwives FGD for Posyandu Mobile Application Development
| No. | Theme       | Key Insight                                | Noteworthy Quotes                                                                 |
|-----|-------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.  | Identity    | Village name correction editing menu       | “Here, the name of my village in this application is wrong”                      |
| 2.  | Account     | Account owner photo                        | “Ma’am, can’t we put our photo? So, there won’t only be our name. Even Google mail has the owner’s photo. So, the cadre’s sense of belonging will be high” |
|     |             | Alternative password                       | “Oh, I forgot the password. It’s not possible to login. It would be great if an alternative password exists” |
|     |             | Special account for Village Midwife        | “That’s it, in the future it would be great if there is an access for Village Midwife, not only for the cadres. So, it won’t be a hassle I enter one by one. Now there is only 5 Posyandu in one village, in other locations even 13 Posyandu are handled by one single Village Midwife” |
| 3.  | Website     | Web creation                               | “We hope that there will be a Web to monitor at a larger scale for Village Midwife. The Web can make it easier to read the report” |
| 4.  | New menu    | Pregnancy age automatic calculation         | “It is hoped that after the input of the first day of the last period, pregnancy age will be automatically calculated in the next examination schedule” |

Table 4. Advantages and Disadvantages Analysis in the Implementation of Posyandu mobile application based on the Cadre and Village Midwife FGD

| No | Analysis Result | Advantage                                                                 | Disadvantage |
|----|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. | User            | a. Cadre’s receipt to the application                                      |              |
|    |                 | b. Problem solution by the cadre when facing a difficulty                 |              |
|    |                 | c. Cadre’s skill in operating Posyandu Mobile Application                  |              |
| 2. Organization |
|-----------------|
| a. There is a Midwife Village leadership as the direct supervisor of *Posyandu* activities |
| b. Cadre’s facility in the implementation of *Posyandu* mobile application is still necessary |
| c. Positive response in the advocacy to the government |
| d. It takes time because there is a reluctance in the part of some cadres to change into the digital-based services |
which regulates the implementation of Posyandu mobile application.
i. Appropriate and correct use of application

1. User-friendliness of the application when being operated the cadre

1. Availability of the application in Google Playstore to be used or operated

1. Conformity of the application menu with the needs of the cadre or as planned by the Government
|   | Challenge | Hardware | Network | Android Compatibility |
|---|-----------|----------|---------|-----------------------|
| 1. | Real time condition of the application to display the information or examination result in the region with low network coverage, an offline version of the application is needed to input the data which will be submitted after the network appears. | Application bugs obstacle is fixed. | Unstable network for some providers/carriers. | Some versions of Android are not compatible with the application. |
1. Quota

Some cadres do not have ...

4. Environment

The situation that is not ...

Table 5. Respondent Characteristics based on the age, education, years of service as Posyandu cadre in Pasawahan Sub-District, Purwakarta District, year 2018 and 2019

| Characteristics | 2018 | 2019 |
|----------------|------|------|
|                | Treatment (n=86) | Control (n=85) | Treatment (n=79) | Control (n=77) |
| Age (year)     |      |      |      |      |
| 26-35          | 18   | 22   | 16   | 19   |
| 36-45          | 32   | 33   | 31   | 33   |
| 46-55          | 36   | 30   | 32   | 25   |
| Education      |      |      |      |      |
| Elementary School | 24   | 31   | 21   | 26   |
| Junior High School | 32   | 33   | 30   | 30   |
| Senior High School | 30   | 21   | 28   | 21   |

Table 6. Difference of Knowledge and Skills during Training and Posyandu Activities

| Variable      | Occasion          | Min | Max | Mean | P Value  | Effect |
|---------------|-------------------|-----|-----|------|----------|--------|
| Knowledge     | Training          | 84  | 100 | 94.69| *0.0000  | 0.34   |
|               | Posyandu Activity | 76  | 100 | 91.91|          |        |
| Skill         | Training          | 7.69| 100 | 85.63| *0.0097  | 0.21   |
|               | Posyandu Activity | 27.63| 100 | 93.05|          |        |

*Wilcoxon signed-rank test

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