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Health Education on Mother's Knowledge and Skills in Care of Kanguru Methods in LBW In Peristi's Room at Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital

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ABSTRACT

Background: In Indonesia, it is estimated that one baby dies every six minutes, one of which is due to having a low body weight. One way to prevent babies from dying from low weight is to use the kangaroo method. Objective To find out the effect of Health Education on the Knowledge and Skills of Mothers in Kangaroo Method Care at LBW in the Hospital Room at Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital.

Methods: The design used in the study was pre-experiment, one group pre-posttest. Population is All Mothers of a Baby. The sample size is 30 respondents using accidental sampling technique. Independent variables of the study were counseling about the kangaroo method on LBW. The dependent variable is knowledge and skills. Data was collected using a questionnaire, then data were analyzed using the Wilcoxon test with a significance level of α ≤ 0.05.

Results: The results showed that respondents had less knowledge before health education as many as 24 respondents (80%), good knowledge after health education as many as 22 respondents (73.3%). Unskilled, need help before health education as many as 26 respondents (86.7%), independent after health education, as many as 26 respondents (86.7%). The results obtained by statistical test results found that the knowledge of respondents before and after health education p < a with a = 0.05, which means that there is a significant effect of health education on knowledge (p = 0.000), and skills (p = 0.000).

Conclusion: The discussion of this study was an assessment of the knowledge and skills of women in PMK in LBW infants before and after being educated about the use of a good and effective method of kangaroos to help the baby maintain the stability of the baby's temperature.

Introduction

In Indonesia, an estimated one baby dies every six minutes, one of which is due to having a low body weight. One way to prevent babies from dying from low body weight is to use the kangaroo method. The Kangaroo method or inherent baby care found since 1983 is very useful for treating premature and low birth weight babies, which can be done during hospital care or...
at home (Tangke, 2021). Kangaroo method is a method of early treatment with a touch of skin to the skin between mother and newborn baby in a position like kangaroo. This method is able to meet the basic needs of premature newborns by providing situations and conditions similar to the mother’s womb. So that gives an opportunity to be able to adapt well to the outside world. Kangaroo care has been shown to produce effective and long-term regulation of body temperature and stable heart and respiratory rate in premature babies. Skin-to-skin care encourages babies to look for nipples and suck them, this strengthens the bond between mother and baby and helps the success of breastfeeding (Potter, 2014).

Based on the World Health Organization (WHO) in 2007, in developing countries nearly 70% of 5 million neonatal deaths and 17 out of 25 million births per year gave birth to babies with LBW (less than 2500 gr. Developing countries such as the United States and Canada strongly support the effectiveness and safety of skin care per skin (such as kangaroos) for premature babies because babies can feel the pleasure of happiness and feeling that is very extraordinary. Based on the results of Surreal conducted by the Central Bureau of Statistics (BPS) in collaboration with the National Family Planning Coordinating Board (BKKBN, 2015, 2016) of Bali Province, the infant mortality rate in 2009 was 4.1 per 1000 live births (Dinkes, 2010). The results of the preliminary study on February 15, 2018, found that there was no treatment for the Kangaroo Hospital (PMK) in the Hospital of Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital. The nurse only provides information about PKM when the patient returns home. In the last three months there were an average of 30 LBW babies in the Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital room. It was also found that of the 10 parents who had LBW babies at Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital, all of them did not know about the kangaroo care method skills.

The treatment of the kangaroo (PMK) method or mother care kangaroo is a method of care for babies with low birth weight (LBW) by imitating the kangguru animals that put their babies who are always premature (less months) in their pockets to be ready to live in the outside world. Premature babies and low birth weight babies are very vulnerable to various things, especially in maintaining a stable body temperature risk of hypothermia (cold) and death. To prevent hypothermia in small infants under 2,500 grams, kangaroo treatment can be done, namely contacting the baby’s skin with the mother’s skin so that the mother’s body temperature will maintain the temperature of the baby’s body temperature and function as a thermoregulator (Fitri, 2018; Nurlaila, 2017). The Ministry of Health and Social Welfare has developed the essential neonatal service policy and the kangaroo method as one of the ways in implementing the policy that aims to prevent hypothermia (Ludington - Hoe & Swinth, 1996; Merchant et al., 2020). A study of the application of the kangaroo method in hospitals in Ethiopia has 67% of babies born prematurely and LBW who are at high risk can be overcome. Likewise, India which applies this method further reduces infant mortality. For example the ability of babies to drink breast milk (approximately 180-200 ml / kg / day) then increase weight slowly at least 20-30 gr or 1 week about 2 ounces (Datta et al., 2018; Mastiningsih, 2021). The Association of Indonesian Perinatologists (Perinasia) in the kangaroo method orientation seminar held at the Indonesian Health Promotion Forum, premature and low birth weight babies are especially at risk of death caused by hypothermia (body temperature below 36.5 ° C), in addition to asphyxia (difficulty breathing) and infection. It is...
estimated that the incidence of premature and LBW in Indonesia is indeed declining but still quite high at 52% per 100 live births.

Research from the Faculty of Medicine UNPAD and the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs has examined in general, that rural women accept the kangaroo method. Almost all mothers who implement it receive support from the family. They argue, the method of kangaroos makes babies calm and lots of breastfeeding. Traditionally some of the actions in the kangaroo method have been known to the public by the term local Bedako (OKU Regency), Makaleppe (Makassar), Kadukui (Bugis) and West Seram Island (Maluku) Based on this background researchers are interested in researching with the title Health Education to Knowledge and Mother’s Skills in Kangaroo Method Treatment at LBW in the Hospital Room in Rsud Mokopido Tolitoli.

Method

Design used in the study was pre-experimental, one group pre-post-test. Population is All All Mothers of a Baby. The sample size is 30 respondents using accidental sampling technique. Independent variables of the study were counseling about the kangaroo method on LBW. The dependent variable is knowledge and skills. Data was collected using a questionnaire, then the data were analyzed using the test Wilcoxon with a significance level of $\alpha \leq 0.05$.

Results

Table 1. Distribution of Frequency Characteristics of Respondents by Age in Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital on 30 August-28 September 2018 ($n = 30$)

| No | Age         | Frequency | Percentage |
|----|-------------|-----------|------------|
| 1  | <20 years   | 2         | 6.7        |
| 2  | 20-35 years | 20        | 66.7       |
| 3  | >35 years   | 8         | 26.7       |
| **Total** |          | **30**    | **100**    |

The results showed that more than half of the respondents aged 20-35 years were 20 respondents (66.7%), and the least were aged <20 years as many as 2 respondents (6.7%).

Table 2. Frequency Distribution Characteristics of Respondents by education in hospitals Mokopido Tolitoli on 30 August to 28 September 2018 ($n = 30$)

| No | Education   | Frequency | Percentage |
|----|-------------|-----------|------------|
| 1  | Elementary  | 4         | 13.3       |
| 2  | Junior      | 6         | 20.0       |
| 3  | High School | 20        | 66.7       |
| **Total** |          | **30**    | **100**    |

The results of the study showed that more than half of the respondents had high school education as many as 20 respondents (66.7%), and the least were having elementary education as many as 4 respondents (13.3%).

Table 3. Distribution of Frequency Characteristics Respondents are based on employment in Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital on 30 August-28 September 2018 ($n = 30$)

| No | Job          | Frequency | Percentage |
|----|--------------|-----------|------------|
| 1  | Employee     | 10        | 33.3       |
| 2  | Self Employed| 4         | 13.3       |
| 3  | Not Working  | 16        | 53.3       |

The results showed that more than half of the respondents had high school education as many as 20 respondents (66.7%), and the least were having elementary education as many as 4 respondents (13.3%).
The results showed that most respondents do not work as much as 16 respondents (53.3%), and the least is to have a job as an entrepreneur as much as 4 respondents (13.3%).

Table 4. Distribution of Frequency Characteristics of Respondents based on Information Sources at Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital on 30 August-28 September 2018 (n = 30)

| No | Information Sources | Frequency | Percentage |
|----|----------------------|-----------|------------|
| 1  | Health worker        | 15        | 50.0       |
| 2  | Print media          | 3         | 10.0       |
| 3  | Electronic media     | 12        | 40.0       |
| Total |                      | 30        | 100        |

The results of the study showed that half of the respondents received information from health workers as many as 15 respondents (50%), and those who received the least information from print media were 3 respondents (10%).

Table 5. Frequency Distribution of Knowledge-Based Respondents in Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital on 30 August-28 September 2018 (n = 30)

| No | Knowledge Before | Frequency | Percentage |
|----|------------------|-----------|------------|
| 1  | Less had knowledge | 24        | 80.0       |
| 2  | Enough            | 6         | 20.0       |
| 3  | Baik              | 0         | 0          |
| Total |                 | 30        | 100        |

The results showed that most respondents had insufficient knowledge before health education as many as 24 respondents (80%), and more than half of respondents had good knowledge after health education which is as much as 22 respondents (73.3%).

Table 6. Frequency Distribution of Respondents by Skills in hospitals Mokopido Tolitoli on 30 August to 28 September 2018 (n = 30)

| No | Skills Before | Frequency | Percentage |
|----|---------------|-----------|------------|
| 1  | skilled, need help | 26        | 86.7       |
| 2  | Skilled, mandiri | 4         | 13.3       |
| Total |                 | 30        | 100        |

The results showed that almost all respondents were not skilled, needed help before health education as many as 26 respondents (86.7%), and almost all skilled respondents, independent after health education after health education as many as 26 respondents (86.7%).

Table 7. Cross tabulation between knowledge and respondent's work in Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital on 30 August-28 September 2018 (n = 30)

| Employment | Not working | Self employed | Employee | Total |
|------------|-------------|---------------|----------|-------|
| Knowledge  | Pre         |              |          |       |
| Less       | 30         | 100          | 0        | 30    |
| Enough     | 4          | 13.3         | 24       | 30    |
| Total      | 34         | 100          | 24       | 30    |

The results of the study showed that most respondents had insufficient knowledge and did not
work before health education as many as 12 respondents (40%).

Table 8. Cross tabulation between skills with the age of the respondent in Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital on 30 August-28 September 2018 (n = 30)

| Age          | Total | Not skilled, need help | Skilled, independent |
|--------------|-------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Total        | 30    | 26                     | 4                    |
| <20 year     | 2     | 67%                    | 0%                   |
| 20-35 years  | 16    | 3,3%                   | 13,3%                |
| >35 years    | 8     | 0%                     | 33,3%                |
| % of Total   | 6,7%  | 53,3%                  | 26,7%                |
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The results showed that most respondents had unskilled skills and aged 20-35 years before health education as many as 16 respondents (53.3%).

The results of the study found that more than half of the respondents had less and unskilled knowledge, needed assistance before health education as many as 21 respondents (70%).

Table 10. Cross tabulation between knowledge and skills before health education at Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital on 30 August-28 September 2018 (n = 30)

| Knowledge _pre | Count | % of Total |
|----------------|-------|------------|
| Total          | 26    | 100%       |
| Less           | 21    | 80.0%      |
| Enough         | 5     | 20.0%      |
| Total          | 30    | 100%       |
| % of Total     |       |            |

The results of the study showed that more than half of the respondents had good knowledge and skill, needed assistance after health education as many as 21 respondents (70%).

Table 11. Cross tabulation between knowledge and skills after health education at Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital on 30 August-28 September 2018 (n = 30)

| Skills _post | Count | % of Total |
|--------------|-------|------------|
| Total        | 30    | 100%       |
| Unskilled, needs help | 16 | 53,3% |
| Unskilled, needs help | 8 | 26,7% |
| Good         | 3     | 10,0%      |
| Total        | 4     | 13,3%      |
| % of Total   |       |            |

The results of the study showed that more than half of the respondents had good knowledge and skill, needed assistance after health education as many as 21 respondents (70%).

Table 12. Test Results Statistics
The statistical test results found that on the knowledge of respondents before and after health education $p < 0.05$, which means that there is a significant effect of health education on knowledge ($p = 0.000$), and skills ($p = 0.000$).

**Discussion**

The results of the study found that the majority of respondents had good and skilled knowledge, needed assistance after health education as many as 21 respondents (70%). The results of statistical tests found that on the knowledge of respondents before and after health education $p < 0.05$, which means that there is a significant effect of health education on skills ($p = 0.000$).

Counseling is a system and process of change in individuals and society so that better changes can be realized as expected. Counseling can be seen as a form of education for adults. Counseling is the involvement of someone to communicate information consciously with the aim of helping others give opinions so that they can make the right decisions (Juwita, 2018; Rusdiana & Setiawan, 2018; Vernissa et al., 2017). Counseling is a process of behavior change in the community so that they know, want and are able to make changes to achieve increased production, income or profits and improve their welfare. Health education is a combination of various activities and opportunities based on the principles of learning to achieve a situation, where individuals, families, groups or society as a whole want to live healthy, know how and do what can be done.

**CONCLUSION**

The results of the study showed that almost all respondents had insufficient knowledge before health education as many as 24 respondents (80%), the results of the study more than half of respondents after health education obtained $p < a$ with $a < 0.05$, which means that there was a significant effect of health education on skills ($p = 0.000$). This result is supported by the results of a research by Suradi (2000), which states that the Kangaroo Method is able to meet the basic needs of LBW by providing a situation and condition similar to the uterus which gives the LBW an opportunity to adapt well to the outside world. Providing Health Education affects the increase in knowledge and skills of mothers in Kangaroo Method Care at LBW in the Peristi Room at Mokopido Tolitoli Hospital. There are some respondents who have good knowledge after health education but have less skills, the cognitive possibility of the respondent is capable, but for less motor skills. Respondents after health education about the kangaroo method experienced an increase in knowledge in the form of understanding, purpose, indication and readiness, as well as skills in the preparation and implementation stages.
had good knowledge after health education as many as 22 respondents (73.3). The results showed that almost all unskilled respondents needed help before health education as many as 26 respondents (86.7%). The results of the study of almost all independent respondents after health education were 26 respondents (86.7). The results of statistical tests found that the knowledge of respondents before and after health education p <a with a = 0.05, which means that there is a significant effect of health education on knowledge (p = 0.000), and skills (p = 0.000).

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