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Knowledge attitude and practice of home management of childhood diarrhea by mothers

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Home management of diarrhea is the hallmark of control of diarrhea disease in children which aim to increase the correct use of Oral Rehydration Solution (ORS) by mothers, so mothers play a great role in the reducing the morbidity and mortality of children. The aim of the study was to assess the knowledge, attitude and practices of mothers in the management, recognition, and prevention of childhood diarrhea and take into cognizance the barriers to it management. The study was done using a descriptive design. 127 respondents (women) were selected from the community using convenient sampling technique while data collected was with aid of a questionnaire. The mothers were knowledgeable about diarrhea; 117 (94.2%) have heard of diarrhea before: while 3 (5.8%) have not. Among those who have heard about diarrhea, majority, 98 (81.7%) rely on ORS for managing diarrhea in their child while 22 (18.3%) do not use ORS. Inferential statistics (chi-square test) showed that significant relationship existed between the knowledge of mothers and their practice towards the prevention, recognition and management of childhood diarrhea. Recommendations were made on the need to improve mother's knowledge of childhood diarrhea and its management.

Biography

Aigbe, Desmond Amadin born in Benin City, Edo State in Nigeria. He is a Christian and a Professional Registered Nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria. Aigbe had his Primary Education at Zion group of schools. After which he attended Zion Comprehensive College for his Secondary School Education. He then proceeded to obtain a Bachelor of Nursing Science Degree (BSc) from the Delta State University, Baraka, Delta State. He is currently studying for his 2nd degree in the field of Mental Health and Psychiatry Nursing at the faculty of Nursing Sciences, Niger Delta University, Wilberforce Island, Bayelsa State. Aigbe has held leadership positions of various kind. Some of which include: Senior Prefect at Zion Comprehensive College (2007) and President of Nigerian Universities Nursing Students' Association, Delta State University Chapter (2013). Aigbe Desmond has a keen interest in Nursing individual, family and the community and the world at large to attaining and remaining in good health.

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