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AT PAEDIATRIC WARD, TAIPING HOSPITAL, PERAK: TOWARDS IMPROVING INDOOR AIR QUALITY



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INTRODUCTION

POOR INDOOR AIR QUALITY (IAQ) IN HOSPITAL (MICROBIOLOGICAL FACTORS)

- Linked to Healthcare-associated infections (HCAIs)
- Endanger both patients and staff
- Taiping Hospital top 5 hospitals with the highest cases of VRE (MOH: 2016 2017)

THIS STUDY AIMS TO EVALUATE THE IAQ IN THE PAEDIATRIC WARD

- Review hand hygiene compliance
- Assess the levels of Knowledge, Attitude, and Practice (KAP) among staff
- To improve infection control through targeted interventions:
 "32 Hours Infection Control Education Programme"

METHODOLOGY

KAPLevels Assessment

 Questionnaires adapted from the CDC

Bacterial Concentrations Measurement

 Measured by Anderson Bio Samplers

Statistical Analyses

- Pearson correlation & linear regression
- SPSS Version 26

Hand Hyglene Compliance Evaluation

 WHO's "Five Moments for Hand Hygiene" tool

DISCUSSION & CONCLUSION

The study showed the intervention:

- Improved hand hygiene
- Reduced bacterial concentration
- Creating a safer healthcare environment
- The link between knowledge & practice highlights the importance of education
- Ongoing efforts are needed to sustain and improve the outcomes to ensure patient and staff safety

INTERVENTION

32 HOURS INFECTION CONTROL EDUCATION PROGRAMME

INFORMATION RELATED TO HCAI

2 HAND HYGIENE TOOLS & PPE

3 ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE

4 WASTE MANAGEMENT

5 STERILIZATION & DISINFECTION



Hand Hygiene

Alteraterial
Concentration
Reduction

Dropped

from 456

to 289

CFU/m³

Improvement

- 100% compliance achieved for three parameters
- Two parameters remained < 85.0% standard
- "After procedures" compliance increased from 66.6% to 80.0%

High KAP Levels

- Positive correlation between knowledge and practice
- This relationship explained 14.4% of the variance

