

Mothers' Awareness of Home Accident prevention among Children

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ABSTRACT

Background: Usually, young children get an accident at home. Under-5-year-old males and girls are particularly prone to injury. Home accidents frequently involve cuts, poisoning, suffocation, electric shock, falls, drowning, and burns. Many major injuries can be prevented if parents and other adults watch over youngsters and keep their surroundings secure.

Objective(s): To assess the aware of mothers of domestic accidents for kids under the age of five in Kerbala city. To identify the relationship between this aware of mothers and certain demographic factors.

Methods: Descriptive study was conducted for the mothers had children under 5 years of age with domestic accident and were being treated at the Karbala Teaching Hospital for Children. The study was conducted between April 15, 2024, and August 22, 2024. After obtaining consent for engagement in the study. A non-probability "convenience" sample of moms with young kids less than five years old who were diagnosed with severe and less severe domestic accidents in the home or garden were selected, and they were admitted to the children's emergency room of hospital. With an emphasis on the most frequent home accidents, such as burns, poisoning, falls, wounds, choking, and suffocation. While the moms who refused to take part in the research was excluded, during the course of study (120) moms agreed to participate in the research.

Results: The findings pointed that (33%) of the participants depended on media and internet to supply of information regarding domestic accidents. The mothers' awareness regarding domestic accidents among kids under the age of five were moderate level in the overall mothers' awareness according to mean of scores.

Conclusion: The study's findings lead to the conclusion that moms' awareness of accidents that happen in households with preschoolers is acceptable.

Recommendations: The study recommended that conducting educational lectures for mothers about the reduction of domestic accidents in kids under the age of five. Providing educational booklets with pamphlets for mothers for improve their knowledge of home accident prevention. **Keywords:** Mothers' Awareness, Home Accident, Home Accident prevention, kids under the age of five.

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