# Assessment of Knowledge and Practice of Primary School <br> Personnel towards Communicable Diseases among School 

# Age Students in El-Minia City 

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#### Abstract

Background: School age children are the parents, workers, leaders, and decision makers of tomorrow \& their futuer success depends in good measure on acheivment of their educational goal today. Communicable diseases (CD) are the leading cause of killer of children and young adults. It accounts for over half the total burden of disease in poor countries with high mortality rates. In particular, they cause over 13 million deaths each year, and account for one out of every two children's deaths. In addition, a small number of infectious diseases are responsible for $90 \%$ of deaths: pneumonia, AIDS, diarrhea, tuberculosis, malaria, and measles Person with infectious diseases may exhibit a broad spectrum of disease that rang from inapparent infection to severe and fatal disease and increase spread of infection to large number of people thus increase economic burden. Objective: study is to assess knowledge and practices of school personnel towards communicable diseases among school students. Methods: Study subjects were distributed among the following schools: Elekhssass, Shallaby, Eltagrebia, Elfoly, Elmontazha, Elsalah, Houda Shaghrawy, Saaed Zaglol,Taric Ebn Ziaed, Othman Ebn A fan, Elsaedia and Omar Ebn Elkhtab. In El-Minia city 2008; subjects of this study are consist of a sample size which inclued 525 primary school personnel ( 471 teachers, 42 workers and 12 school nurses),the schools selected randomly after excluding of private schools and schools with special needs. The tools used included tow types; a)-structured assessment questionnaire, and b)-observational checklist, Results: There are statistical significant differences were found among awareness of school personnel about infection and (CD). Statistically significant differences were found among awareness of school personnel about measures used to prevent spread of infection among students. There are statistical significant differences were found among school personnel related to the sources of getting information. There are statistical significant differences were found between school teachers and nurses when they find communicable diseases among students. There are statistical significant differences were found between school teachers and nurses toward health education. Conclusion; all school personnel weren't completely oriented to (CD) that affect their students, lack of inservice training program for the school personnel, and unavailability of health insurance guide books, and all school workers hadn't any protective clothes during work time. Recommendations; all school districts should provide initial inservices training program about (CD) for all staff, and an annual update for the all.


Key Wards: Assessment Knowledge And Practice; Primary School Personnel; Communicable Diseases.

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## INTRODUTION:

School health is an important branch of community health. Health services are provided for promotion of physical, mental and social wellbeing of children at school age (6-18 year). According to the American Academy of Pediatrics. ${ }^{(3,4)}$, schools should provide at a minimum the following 3 types of services; (1) state-mandated services including health screenings, verification of immunization status, and infectious disease reporting; (2) assessment of minor health complaints, medication administration, and care for students with special health care needs; and (3) capability to handle emergencies and other urgent situations. More comprehensive services might include administration of immunizations, case management, wellness promotion, and patient education, as well as services for students with special needs, such as physical therapy. ${ }^{(8)}$ The mortality rates of school age children (5-14years old) are comparativly low and
have decreased substantially over the last century. This reduction can be attributed to effective prevention and control of the acute infectious diseases of childhood. Although mortality rate are low, morbidity among school children is high. Children of this age group are most often affected by respiratory illness, followed by digestive conditions. Among school children, the incidence rate of measles, rubella, mumps, chickenpox and pertussis have dropped considerably because of wide spread immunization efforts. Cases of these communicable diseases still occur, some with potentially serious complications, such as nerve deafness from mumps and birth defects from rubella. ${ }^{(2)}$ Dad (2005) agree that and added CD are one of the most common causes of suffering and death, and they impose a significant financial burden on society. ${ }^{(12)}$ Measles accounted for 17.4 to $23.5 \%$ of the deaths in the years 1958 to 1961. ${ }^{(15)}$ In Egypt the incidence of (CD) among Egyptian children was; in

2000 the incidence of measles was 2.633 cases, mumps was 1.390 cases, pertussis was 3 cases, rubella was 24 cases, in 2001 the incidence of measles was 2.150 cases, mumps was 849 cases, pertussis was 1 case, rubella was 12 cases, In 2002 the incidence of measles was 653 cases, rubella was 274 cases, In 2003 the incidence of measles was 164 cases, mumps was 639 cases, rubella was 216 cases, In 2004 the incidence of measles was 80 cases, rubella was 18 cases, In 2005, the incidence of measles was 77 cases, mumps was 251cases, rubella was 520 cases, in 2006 the incidence of measles was 953 cases, mumps was 251 cases, rubella was 2587 cases. ${ }^{(27)}$ Egyptian media reported that 150 cases of chickenpox in an outbreak in a school in Alexandria, and 200 cases in outbreak of rubella excluded from a school in Cairo. ${ }^{(17)}$ Communicable diseases occur in every country, in every urban and rural area and in every neighborhood from the very rich to
the very poor. In developing countries the incidence of typhoid fever was 13/100.000 persons per year and the incidence of brucellosis was 18/100.000 persons per year. ${ }^{(11)}$

In 2004 Center for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that each year seventy six million people in the US get sick, more than 300,000 are hospitalized and 5000 die as a result of food borne illnesses. ${ }^{(9)}$ Chickenpox has been a nearly universal disease of childhood; in temperate climates, nearly $90 \%$ of children had chickenpox by age 15 years before vaccine became available. ${ }^{(25)}$ (CD) can be defined as "an illness that directly or indirectly transmitted from person to another". ${ }^{(26)}$ Ball and Bindeler (2006) stated that "a (CD) is an illness that directly or indirectly transmitted from person or animal to another by contact with body fluids, by contact with contaminated objects, or by vectors (CD) are diseases caused by biological agents for example
bacterium, virus, and parasite that can be communicated from an infected person or animal to another person or animal, meaning that they can easily spread through direct or indirect contact". ${ }^{(6,20)}$ (CD) take four stages such as: Incubation stage, pretrial stage, illness stage and convalescence stage ${ }^{(23)}$. There are many factors which affecting on (CD) 1) - Host factor 2)-Agent factors 3)-Environmental factors. ${ }^{(10)}$

## METHODS:

This study was conducted in 12 governmental primary schools in Minia city chosen randomly. Subjects were distributed among the following schools: Elekhssass, Shallaby, Eltagrebia, Elfoly, Elmontazha, Elsalah, Houda Shaghrawy, Saaed Zaglol,Taric Ebn Ziaed, Othman Ebn A fan, Elsaedia and Omar Ebn Elkhtab.In El-Minia city 2008; the school personnel samples were 578 persons distributed as (505 teachers, 61 workers
and 12 school nurses). Subjects of this study consisted of a sample size which include 525 primary school personnel (471 teachers, 42 workers and 12 school nurses). (28) The investigator met them at their workplace during work and they were interviewed in their schools at times that were convenient for them. A descriptive study was chosen and the schools were selected randomly after excluding of private schools and schools with special needs. Primary schools in El-Minia city are divided into four sectors according to geographical location; each sector consists of number of schools, theses as follow Nefertity sector include 11 schools, Taha Hussine sector include 9 schools, Saaed Zaglole sector include 13 school and ElShaheed sector include 9 schools, and the total number of primary schools in El-Minia City is 42 schools; and the researcher randomly selected three schools from each sector to represent El-Minia city.

## Tools of the Study:

## A-Structured assessment questionnaire

 which included:-Personal characteristic and socio-demographic data such as; name, age, sex, education level, occupation, marital status and years of experience. Knowledge of persons regarding major (CD); such as definition, types, causes, sign and symptom, methods of transmission, factors that affect the transmission, incubation period and precaution \& control methods. Sources of their information related to all personnel.B-Observational checklist: The investigator used observation checklist to assess applicable practices of school personnel to prevent and control major (CD) with student.

## METHODS OF THE STUDY:

Permission to conduct the study was obtained from the dean of faculty of Nursing at El-Minia University. The official letter was obtained from Ministry of Health to obtain the statistical results of
communicable diseases among children, and agreement of country safety, Vice of Ministry of Education then administrative directory of learning and education in ElMinia Governorate for data collection were obtained. Then the approval was given to every director of schools for data collection.

The researcher follows ethical guidelines of epidemiological research, each subject were explained the objectives of the study and details of the collected data. Subjects were also assured confidentiality which was maintained by removing names of subjects from data collection forms, only serial numbers were kept for identification, and no invasive techniques were carried out. Study objectives were presented to the school administration, teachers, workers and school nurses. Respondents were informed of their freedom not to participate in the study.

A pilot study was performed to evaluate the questionnaire validity and
reliability. It was carried out on a sample of 53 persons (10\% from the total sample) in primary school personnel; it helps test validity and reliability of study questionnaire. This sample was excluded from the total sample, the necessary modification in the questionnaire was done and final form was developed and used in data collection.

The researcher determined 62 questions without the socio-demographic data and source of getting the information, about the primary schools personnel knowledge of communicable diseases, every question equals one degree and total scores equal 62 degrees which distributed as the following: incomplete answer and unknown answer mean zero; and complete answer means one degree

After the calculation of each persons' score the researcher determined that poor level mean less than $50 \%$, pass level range from 50 \% to less than $65 \%$, good level
percentage that range from $65 \%$ and more.

Statistical design: The collected data were tabulated and analyzed using computer. Data analysis was done by using SPSS and cleaning of data was done then data analysis was started by descriptive statistics such as frequencies, percentage, mean and standard deviation. Then cross tabulation and correlation was done to assess the relationship between knowledge and practices. Student t test, Chi-square test and ANOVA test were used. If the result of $p$ value was less than or equal 0.05 , it was considered statistically significant.

Results: table (1); summarizes the socio demographic data of the study population. It was found that half of school teachers (51.7\%), were ranged from 37 to 47 years old, the mean age of the studied sample was 41.2 with +_SD.(4.3). Half of the sample has diploma degree (51.9\%). Regarding years of experience more than
half of teachers $52.5 \%$ are ranged from 15 to 25 years. According to marital status the majority of teachers (89.4\%) are married and have children, Compared with school nurses $(83.3 \%)$ are ranged from 48 to 58 years old, the mean age of the study sample is 46.1 with $\pm$ SD.(4.7). All have diploma degree. Regarding years of experiences the majority of the school nurses ( $83.3 \%$ ) are ranged from 26 to 36 years with according to marital status (83.3\%) of school nurses are married and have children with In addition to workers, more than half of school workers (57.1\%) are ranged from 48 to 58 years old, the mean age of the study sample is 42.5 with $\pm$ SD (4.5), most of them are able to read and write ( $88.1 \%$ ). Concerning years of experience half of school workers (50\%) are ranged from 15 to 25 years. According to marital status more than two third (69\%) of school workers are married and have children. There are statistical significant differences were found between socio
demographic data of the study population.
Table(2); shows sources of getting information; more than half of school teachers $56.8 \%$ have information from all sources, $19.7 \%$ from reading, $7.8 \%$ from visual media, $7 \%$ get nothing and $6.8 \%$ from friends. Also this table shows that most of school nurses have information from reading, one third $33.3 \%$ have information from all sources, in spite of 8.3\% have nothing. Regarding school workers, most of them (57.1\%) have information from friends, $28.6 \%$ have nothing and minority of them $7.1 \%$ has information from reading and visual media. There are statistical significant differences were found. Table (3); points out that there are no significant statistically differences between knowledge \& practices among school personnel. Table (4) Shows distribution of school teachers and nurses when they find communicable diseases among school students, it was found that majority number of teachers sometimes
have a role with ill students; in spite of school nurses don't observe signs and symptoms of disease, all nurses refer the ill students to proper place, (91.7\%) inform to school members after child return, all school nurses sometimes observe students contact, sometimes observe ill student when on returning to school after cures and all don't follow the absences and ask about the cause of absences and the majority of nurses ( $91.7 \%$ ) don't follow the progress or deterioration of child condition. There are statistical significant differences were found between school teachers and nurses when they find communicable diseases among students. Table (5) shows that $69 \%$ of workers didn't wash their hands after work, $21.5 \%$ sometimes do, more than one third $40.5 \%$ didn't wash their hands before and after work, $59.5 \%$ sometimes do, in addition $35.7 \%$ did not wash their hands after eating but $54.8 \%$ sometimes do, $21.5 \%$ did not wash their hands before eating and 69\% sometimes do. Also this
table points out that all schools workers hadn't any protective clothes during work time. (Mask, gloves, special clothes and special shoes).

Discussion: School nurses participating in this study are ranged from 26 to 58 years old with mean $46.1 \pm$ SD 4.7, the majority of them (83.3\%) has a health visitors education with 26 and 36 years of experiences and only two nurses have a diploma program of education with experience four to fourteen years of experience. Similar finding was revealed by Abed El-Kader (2002) \& Kamel MI (2003) stated that the age of school nurses are ranged from 40 to less than 50 years old, and the mean of total age was $41.07 \pm$ 7.79. The majority of the sample have their years of experiences ranged from 22 to $<32$ years which is special for the health visitors, and the mean years of experience of the total sample was $22.95 \pm 7.76{ }^{(18,1)}$. On other hand Maghraby, (2002) stated that the most school nurses aged between

40 and 49 years, and most of them had more than 20 years of experience. ${ }^{(14)}$ Kamel MI (2003) found that school nurses participating in the study were in their middle age, and the majority of them had health visitor diploma with more than 30 years of experience. ${ }^{(18)}$

The age of school teachers participating in this study are ranged from 26 to 58 years and the years of experience ranged from 4 to 37 and more, nearly similar results with Little (2008) who found that $22 \%$ of teachers reported being special education teachers, $48 \%$ indicated that they were 46 years of age or older $38 \%$ age between 30 and 45 years and $14 \%$ reported that they were younger than 30 years and teaching experience ranged from one to fourteen years. ${ }^{(21)}$ And age of workers ranged from 26 to 58 years with mean $42.5 \pm$ SD 4.5, and years of experience ranged from 4 and 37 and more with mean $10.7 \pm$ SD 0.808. This study indicates that school nurses have a good
knowledge about importance of vaccination and complete role for immunizing the students. But these results are consistent with the results of Abed El-Kader (2002) who found that the school nurses have a good knowledge about importance of vaccination, and have complete role with students immunization. ${ }^{(1,22)}$, mentioned that the highest standard of health education services was related to advising the parents about prevention of transmission of diseases and counseling as well as health guidance. However, the lowest standard of services was related to unavailability of teachers to perform first aide. Health education was weak at governmental schools, and this due to an adequate knowledge of school health nurse as well as improper knowledge and attitude of teachers while conversely. School nurses play an integral role in the management of the school health program. ${ }^{(7)}$ Conversely with the results of Maghraby, (2002), who stated that immunization of students as
strategy for prevention of (CD) is one of her basic responsibilities. This task proved to be absolutely neglected by the school health nurse in Assuit and they rationalized it by stating that nurses serving in the health insurance fully take that responsibility because they get the necessary training in vaccine skills, while the school health nurse is always deprived of that training, none of them was asking to attend any training or program about vaccination. ${ }^{(14,24)}$

In the present study all school workers do not wear any protective clothes during work time such as mask, gloves, special dressing and the majority of them do not wash their hands after work, all workers have health insurance and all have benefits from health poster guide, in 2007 Eaton reported about half of all states offered health insurance to their staff, and the state paid for some or all of the cost of the insurance or made the insurance available
to staff at their own expense and health insurance covered all or part of preventive services. ${ }^{(13)}$

## CONCLUSIONS:

Based on the result of the present study, it can be concluded that school nurse has been a part of school life and she can be seen in schools today as the only person that can responsibly answer questions concerning the medical needs of students. All school personnel weren't completely oriented to (CD)that affect their students (knowledge and practices) and the nurse duties were unclear to the school nurses. Presences of heavy written duties with no rewards, absences of computers, typewriters. Lack of inservice training program to the school personnel, and unavailability of health insurance guide books, all these items affect the knowledge and practices of school personnel therefore they do their work activities as part of a routine.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the previous finding of the present study, the following recommendations are suggested; 1)-all school districts should provide initial training for all staff, training for new employees, and an annual update for all staff, 2)-written, and clear job description for school nurses should be offered, 3)computers, typewriters should be available to minimize the heavy written duties for school nurses, 4)-guide books about insurance health program, communicable diseases and infection control precaution should be present, 5)-protective materials for school workers such as special clothes, mask, gloves, cleaning materials should be at hand, 6)-cooperation between school and local health departments, official
community health care providers should be activated, 7)-cooperation between parents and school nurses, teachers and administrators in primary schools should be implemented, 8)-each school should have; \{(a)- written policy; (b)- named contact for dealing with children who are unable to attend school for medical reasons; (c)-clear referral procedures; (d)effective multi agency working practices; (e)-full collaborative partnerships with parents and pupils; and (f)- well-structured well-supported reintegration planning\} 9-)health education program about communicable diseases should be offered, and 10)- establishing an effective referral system within the primary, secondary, and tertiary health care for ssuspected and confirmed cases.

Table: 1 Distribution of the study sample according to their sociodemographic chracteristics in El-Minia city 2008-2009.

| Items | Teachers N;(471) |  | School nurses N ;(12) |  | Workers N;(42) |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | No | \% | No | \% | No | \% | No | \% |
| 1-Age: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-26-36 | 145 | 30.7 | 00 | 00.0 | 03 | 07.2 | 148 | 28.3 |
| 2-37-47 | 243 | 51.7 | 02 | 16.7 | 15 | 35.7 | 259 | 49.3 |
| 3-48-58 | 083 | 17.6 | 10 | 83.3 | 24 | 57.1 | 118 | 22.4 |
| Total | 471 | 100.0 | 12 | 100.0 | 42 | 100.0 | 525 | 100.0 |
| Mean $\pm$ SD | 41. | $\pm 4.3$ | 46. | $\pm 4.7$ |  | $\pm 4.5$ |  |  |
| 2-Qualifications |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-Read and write | 000 | 00.0 | 00 | 000.0 | 37 | 88.1 | 037 | 07.0 |
| 2-Diploma | 245 | 51.9 | 12 | 100.0 | 05 | 11.9 | 262 | 49.9 |
| 3-University | 207 | 44.1 | 00 | 000.0 | 00 | 00.0 | 207 | 39.5 |
| 4-Post graduate | 019 | 04.0 | 00 | 000.0 | 00 | 00.0 | 019 | 03.6 |
| Total | 471 | 100.0 | 12 | 100.0 | 42 | 100.0 | 525 | 100.0 |
| 3-Years of experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-4-14 | 157 | 33.3 | 02 | 16.7 | 10 | 23.8 | 168 | 32.0 |
| 2-15-25 | 248 | 52.5 | 00 | 00.0 | 21 | 50.0 | 269 | 51.3 |
| 3-26-36 | 058 | 12.5 | 10 | 83.3 | 09 | 21.4 | 078 | 14.8 |
| 4-37 and more | 008 | 01.7 | 00 | 00.0 | 02 | 04.8 | 010 | 01.9 |
| Total | 471 | 100.0 | 12 | 100.0 | 42 | 100.0 | 525 | 100.0 |
| Mean $\pm$ SD | 13.2 | $\pm .704$ | 22.3 | $\pm .622$ | 10.7 | $\pm .808$ |  |  |
| 4-Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-Married with children | 420 | 89.4 | 10 | 83.3 | 29 | 69.0 | 459 | 87.4 |
| 2-Married without children | 013 | 02.8 | 00 | 00.0 | 02 | 04.8 | 015 | 02.8 |
| 3-Single | 027 | 05.5 | 00 | 00.0 | 03 | 07.2 | 030 | 05.8 |
| 4-Divorced or widowed | 011 | 02.3 | 02 | 16.7 | 08 | 19.0 | 021 | 04.0 |
| Total | 471 | 100.0 | 12 | 100.0 | 42 | 100.0 | 525 | 100.0 |

Table (2). Distribution of study sample according to the sources of getting information in primary schools in El-Minia city 2008-2009.

| Items | Teachers <br> N;(471) |  | School <br> nurses <br> N;(12) |  | Workers <br> N;(42) |  | Total |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | No | $\%$ | No | $\%$ | No | $\%$ | No | $\%$ | X2 | sig |
|  | 093 | 19.7 | 07 | 58.4 | 03 | 07.1 | 103 | 19.6 |  |  |
| 2-visual media | 037 | 07.8 | 00 | 00.0 | 03 | 07.1 | 040 | 07.6 |  |  |
| 3-friends | 032 | 06.8 | 00 | 00.0 | 24 | 57.1 | 056 | 10.6 | 1107.076 | . 000 |
| 4-internet | 009 | 01.9 | 00 | 00.0 | 00 | 00.0 | 009 | 01.7 |  |  |
| 5-All of above | 267 | 56.8 | 04 | 33.3 | 00 | 00.0 | 271 | 51.7 |  |  |
| 6-Nothing | 033 | 07.0 | 01 | 08.3 | 12 | 28.7 | 046 | 08.8 |  |  |
| Total | 471 | 100.0 | 12 | 100.0 | 42 | 100.0 | 525 | 100.0 |  |  |

Table (3). Relation between knowledge and practices of school members in El-
Minia city 2008-2009.

| Items | Percent |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Teachers | School nurses | Workers |
| Knowledge | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Practices | .012 | .051 | .316 |
| P-value | .800 | .874 | .019 |

Table (4) Distribution of school teachers and nurses when they find communicable diseases among students in primary schools in El-Minia city 2008-2009.

| Items | Teachers |  | School nurse |  | X2 | Sig |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | No | \% | No | \% |  |  |
| Observing for sign and symptoms of disease |  |  |  |  | 138.011 | . 000 |
| No | 049 | 10.4 | 09 | 75.0 |  |  |
| Sometime | 298 | 63.1 | 03 | 25.0 |  |  |
| Yes | 124 | 26.5 | 00 | 00.0 |  |  |
| Total | 471 | 100.0 | 12 | 100.0 |  |  |
| Referring of ill students No | 084 | 17.8 | 00 | 000.0 | 078.411 | . 000 |
| Sometime | 185 | 39.2 | 00 | 000.0 |  |  |
| Yes | 202 | 43.0 | 12 | 100.0 |  |  |
| Total | 471 | 100.0 | 12 | 100.0 |  |  |
| Observing students contact |  |  |  |  | 056.137 | . 000 |
| No | 225 | 47.7 | 00 | 000.0 |  |  |
| Sometime | 246 | 52.3 | 12 | 100.0 |  |  |
| Yes | 000 | 00.0 | 00 | 000.0 |  |  |
| Total | 471 | 100.0 | 12 | 100.0 |  |  |
| Observing ill student when on returning to school after cures |  |  |  |  | 253.103 | . 000 |
| No | 288 | 61.0 | 00 | 000.0 |  |  |
| Sometime | 132 | 28.2 | 12 | 100.0 |  |  |
| yes | 051 | 10.8 | 00 | 000.0 |  |  |
| Total | 471 | 100.0 | 12 | 100.0 |  |  |
| Following up the absences and ask about the cause of absences |  |  |  |  | 143.874 | . 000 |
| No | 233 | 49.4 | 12 | 100.0 |  |  |
| Sometime | 172 | 36.7 | 00 | 000.0 |  |  |
| Yes | 066 | 14.0 | 00 | 000.0 |  |  |
| Total | 471 | 100.0 | 12 | 100.0 |  |  |
| Following up the progress or deterioration in child condition |  |  |  |  | 140.574 | . 000 |
| No | 471 | 100.0 | 11 | 91.7 |  |  |
| Sometime | 000 | 000.0 | 01 | 08.3 |  |  |
| Yes | 000 | 000.0 | 00 | 00.0 |  |  |
| Total | 471 | 100.0 | 12 | 100.0 |  |  |
| Informing to school members after child return |  |  |  |  | 133.474 | . 000 |
| No | 471 | 100.0 | 00 | 00.0 |  |  |
| Sometime | 000 | 000.0 | 01 | 08.3 |  |  |
| Yes | 000 | 000.0 | 11 | 91.7 |  |  |
| Total | 471 | 100.0 | 12 | 100.0 |  |  |

Table (5). Distribution of workers protective methods used during work time as a sample of primary schools in El-Minia city 2008-2009.

| Items | No | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Worker washes his hands directly after work |  |  |
| No | 29 | 69.0 |
| Sometime | 09 | 21.5 |
| yes | 04 | 09.5 |
| Total | 42 | 100.0 |
| Worker washes his hands before eating |  |  |
| No | 09 | 21.5 |
| Sometime | 29 | 69.0 |
| Yes | 04 | 09.5 |
| Total | 42 | 100.0 |
| Worker washes his hands after eating |  |  |
| No | 15 | 35.7 |
| Somtime | 23 | 54.8 |
| Yes | 04 | 09.5 |
| Total | 42 | 100.0 |
| Worker washes his hands before and after work |  |  |
| No | 17 | 40.5 |
| Sometime | 25 | 59.5 |
| Total | 42 | 100.0 |
| Worker wears mask when collecting the wastes |  |  |
| No | 42 | 100.0 |
| Sometime | 00 | 000.0 |
| Yes | 00 | 000.0 |
| total | 42 | 100.0 |
| Worker wears gloves when collecting the wastes |  |  |
| No | 42 | 100.0 |
| Sometime | 00 | 000.0 |
| Yes | 00 | 000.0 |
| Total | 42 | 100.0 |
| Worker wears special clothes when collecting the waste |  |  |
| No | 42 | 100.0 |
| Sometime | 00 | 000.0 |
| Yes | 00 | 000.0 |
| Total | 42 | 100.0 |
| Worker wears special shoes when collecting the west |  |  |
| No | 42 | 100.0 |
| Sometime | 00 | 000.0 |
| Yes | 00 | 000.0 |
| Total | 42 | 100.0 |

علي رد فعل كل شخص. وتم تجميع البيانات من سبتمبر 2008 إلى يناير 2009 ماعدا أيام الأجازات الرسمية والعطلة وأيام الجمعة. نتائج البحت: أوضحت هذه الاراسة بأن 1-الزائرات الصحيات عندهن معرفه جيده حول التطعيم وبعض أنواع الأمر اض المعدية وقله المعرفة حول مضاعفات المرض وفترة حضانة بعض الأمراض 2-المعلمون عندهم معرفه جيده حول تعريف الحصبه والنكاف والسعال الايكي ،الجديري المائي - وقله في المعرفه حول العناصر الأخرى للأمر اض المعدية.

3-عمال المدرسة عندهم معرفه جيده حول تعريف العدوي وطرق انتقال الحصبة الألمانية والأمراض المعدية بينما عندهم قله في المعرفه فى أعراض وعلامات الأمراض وفقترة الحضانة والمضاعفات والعناية بالتلميذ المصاب. 4-لا توجد علاقة ذات دلاله إحصائية بين المعرفة وممارسات العاملين بالمدارس. 5- كل العاملين بالمدارس عندهم قله في المعرفه تجاه الامراض المعديه في نفس الوفت يؤدون ممارسات روتينية. في ضوء هذه النتائج فإن أهم توصيات هنا البحث تتضمن :1)عمل دورات تدريبية في المدارس عن الأمراض الدعدية لكل العاملين. 2)توفير المواد الوقائية لعمال المدارس مثل قناع وقفازات وملابس خاصة ومواد تنظيف للتحكم فى انتثـار العدوى. 3)التعاون بين الددرسة والمجتمع للنحكم فى الأمر اض المعدية. 4)الاتصال بين المدرسة وأولياء الأمور لتسهيل مهمة مكافحة الأمراض المعدية. 5)توفير الكمبيوتر والطباعات فى حجرة الزائرة لتقليل الأعباء الكتابية. 6) توفير

## الملخص العربي

إإن نلاميذ المدرسة هم أباء وعمال وز عماء وصناع قرار الغد ويتتد اليوم نجاحهم على الإجراء الجيد فى تحقيق هدفهم التنربوي ، ونجاح مدرستهم يعتمد إلى حد ما علي حالنهم الصحيه وهم مجمو عه سكانية مهمة ؛ لان صحتهم الطبيعية والعاطفية حيوية إلى مستقبل المجتمع ويتطلبون توجيها واتجاها سليما. وإن الأمراض المعدية مازالت أحد الأسباب الأكثر شيوعًا فى الوفيات و خطر المرض. يهذف هذا البحث إلى تقييم معلومات ومهارات العاملين بالمدارس الابتتائيه تجاه الامر اض المعديه في تلاميذ المدارس في مدينه المنيا.وكانت أدوات جمع البيانات كالنالى: 1-بيانات شخصيه وتحتوي هذه الاستمارة علي الآتي السن والمؤ هل والوظيفة وسنوات الخبرة والحالة الاجتماعية. 2-استمارة لتقييم معلومات العاملين بالددارس الابتدائية حول الأمراض المعدية مثل تعريف المرض ، طرق العدوى فتره حصانه المرض والمضاعفات والعناية بالتلميذ المصاب 3-استمارة تدقيق ملاحظه لنقييم ممارسات ومهارات العاملين بالمدارس لمنع والسيطرة علي الأمر اض المعدية مع التلاميذ. وشملت عينه البحث:525 شخص من العاملين بالمدارس الابتدائية و هم كالآتى: 471 مدرس ، 42 عامل ، 12 زائرة صحية. وتم تجميع البيانات من قبل الباحثه وذلك من خلال زيارات المدارس وذلك بمقابله كل شخص بعد شرح الغرض من البحث وتم اخذ موافقتّهم وكان العدد اللتوسط الذي يتم مقابلثه في اليوم حوالي 6الى 8 أشخاص في زمن حوالي 30:25 دققه لكل فرد و هذا يتمد

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