ABSTRACT

KNOWLEDGE AND STIGMA OF MUKTI HUSADA PHARMACY VISITORS ABOUT TUBERCULOSIS

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Tuberculosis (TB) is a direct infectious disease caused by the TB germ (Mycobacterium tuberculosis). Most TB germs attack the lungs, but can also affect other organs. In Indonesia, in 2017 there were 842 thousand cases of TB, but only a small number were reported or diagnosed. This study was aimed to determine the knowledge and stigma of visitors to Mukti Husada Pharmacy about TB. The research was an observational with data collection is prospective with a cross sectional approach which was carried out in January-April 2023 by distributing questionnaires to visitors at the Mukti Husada Pharmacy. The total number of respondents recruited was 68 people. Respondents in this study were recruited by accidental sampling from visitors at the Mukti Husada Pharmacy. The results showed that the knowledge of respondents who visited the Mukti Husada Pharmacy about TB was mostly in the sufficient category with a total of 37 respondents (54.41%), while the level of stigma of the respondents who visited the Mukti Husada Pharmacy for TB was mostly in the positive category with a total of 65 respondents (95.59%). From the research results, the knowledge and stigma of visitors to Mukti Husada Pharmacy regarding TB can be increased by expanding counseling and providing information to the public in other health services in the form of direct education to the public, counseling, seminars, mass media, social media and others.

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