



Children Oral Health Knowledge and Awareness among Emirati Mothers

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Abstract

Aim: To assess the knowledge and awareness of Emirati mothers towards their children's oral health.

Materials and Methods: The sample of this study comprises of 209 mothers of children aged up to 7 years. The questionnaires were personally distributed and contain 4 questions on the participant's sociodemographic characteristics, and the remaining 20 questions were related to knowledge, attitude and practice towards child's oral health. Data were analysed using SPSS and Chi square test.

Results: The study showed that 78.2%, 20.6% and 36.2% of the participating mothers had good knowledge, attitude and practice respectively toward their child's oral health. There is a significant relation between knowledge and age ($P < 0.05$), while there is no significant relation between employment, education and knowledge.

Conclusion: We found that a good number of mothers have good knowledge 78.2% while 61.2%, 40.1% shows fair attitude and practice respectively.

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