APPLICATION OF WATER TEPID SPONGE TO DECREASE BODY TEMPERATURE IN FEVER CHILDREN IN WIDORO SUKOHARJO VILLAGE

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ABSTRACT

Background: Children under 5 years of age have an immature body temperature control mechanism and can rise quickly which can cause a child to become a fever. One of the treatment of fever can be in the form of medication and warm compresses (tepid sponge). Purpose: Describe the application of water tepid sponge to decrease fever body temperature in children. Method: The type of research used in this study was descriptive with a research design namely Case Study. Descriptive research is a research method that aims to get an accurate picture of the characteristics of the problem under study. Results: This application showed that before the water tepid sponge was carried out on both respondents the body temperature increased and after the water tepid sponge, the two respondents experienced a decrease in body temperature. Conclusion: there are differences in the decrease in body temperature in children before and after water tepid sponges in patients with fever.

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