**GAMBARAN PENGETAHUAN TEKNIK MENYIKAT GIGI REMAJA DI DESA GENITO KIDUL WINDUSARI MAGELANG**

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**ABSTRAK**

**Latar Belakang :** Keberhasilan pemeliharaan kesehatan gigi dan mulut salah satu mencapainya melalui kemampuan menyikat gigi secara baik dan benar dipengaruhi pengetahuan, sikap dan praktek, penggunaan alat, metode menyikatan gigi serta frekuensi dan waktu menyikat gigi. Pengetahuan teknik menyikat gigi penting untuk meningkatkan pengetahuan remaja tentang cara menyikat gigi yang baik dan benar. Berdasarkan hasil studi pendahuluan yang dilakukan pada remaja di Desa Genito Kidul Windusari Magelang ditemukan sebanyak 60% remaja masih kurang pengetahuan tentang teknik menyikat gigi**.**

**Tujuan Penelitian :** Diketahui gambaran pengetahuan teknik menyikat gigi pada remaja di Desa Genito Kidul, Kecamatan Windusari, Kabupaten Magelang.

**Metode Penelitian :** Jenis penelitian ini merupakan penelitian deskriptif, dengan pendekatan *Cross Sectional*. Populasi pada penelitian ini adalah remaja di Desa Genito Kidul, Windusari, Magelang sebanyak 33 responden menggunaka teknik *sample jenuh*. Analisis data menggunakan disribusi frekuensi dan tabulusi silang.

**Hasil :** Remaja di Desa Genito Kidul Windusari Magelang sebagian besar berjenis kelamin perempuan memiliki tingkat pengetahun teknik menyikat gigi dengan kriteria sedang (27,3%), rentan usia 12 - 15 tahun berkriteria pengetahuan rendah (21,1%), dan menurut pendidikan terakhir SD Sederajat berkriteria pengetahuan rendah (21,1%).

**Kesimpulan :** Pengetahuan teknik menyikat gigi remaja di Desa Genito Kidul Windusari Magelang sebagian besar memiliki kriteria rendah.

**Kata Kunci :**Pengetahuan Teknik Menyikat Gigi, Remaja

**THE DESCRIPTION OF KNOWLEDGE OF**

**THE TOOTH BRUSHING KNOWLEDGE OF ADOLESCENTS IN GENITO KIDUL VILLAGE, WINDUSARI DISTRICT, MAGELANG REGENCY**

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**ABSTRACT**

**Background:** Success in maintaining oral and dental health can be achieved through the ability to brush teeth properly and correctly, which is influenced by knowledge, attitude and practice, use of tools, tooth brushing method, and frequency and duration of brushing teeth. The knowledge of the tooth brushing technique is important to increase the adolescents’ knowledge of the proper and correct tooth brushing technique. Based on the preliminary study conducted on adolescents in Genito Kidul village, Windusari, Magelang, it was shown that 60% of them were still lack knowledge of the tooth brushing technique.

**Objective:** This research aims to examine the description of the knowledge of tooth brushing technique in Genito Kidul village, Windusari, Magelang Regency.

**Research Method:** This is descriptive research that was conducted using the cross-sectional approach. The population of this research is adolescents in Genito Kidul village, Windusari, Magelang, with 33 respondents that were selected using the saturated sample technique. Data were analyzed using frequency distribution and cross-tabulation.

**Results:** Most of the adolescents in Genito Kidul village, Windusari, Magelang is female and has a level of knowledge of tooth brushing technique categorized in “moderate” criteria (27.3%), respondents at the age of 12-15 years have knowledge categorized in “low” criteria (21.1%), and respondents who have the educational background of the elementary school have knowledge categorized in “low” criteria (21.1%).

**Conclusion:** The knowledge of tooth brushing technique of adolescents in Genito Kidul village, Windusari, Magelang, is mostly categorized in “low” criteria.

**Keywords:** Knowledge of tooth brushing technique, adolescents