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How does sexual abuse happen to children?

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Generally, sexual abuse of children happens repeatedly and it is revealed only after a prolonged period so that it gives worse negative impacts towards children's psychology in the future. This study aims to describe the sexual abuse of children. The qualitative study with phenomenological approach was used and data collecting was done through interviews from February to March 2016. Selection of participants was carried out using snowball sampling technique. The participants were prisoners of children's sexual abuse who had been proven guilty and jailed in IIB Class Custody of Raba Bima. There were eight cases of girls' sexual abuse and 22 persons were involved through interviews. They were 11 convicts, three convicts' families (children and wives), one victims' lawyer, two victims' companions, four victims' families (mother, brother, aunty, relative), and one victim. Findings of the study revealed the relationship between the convicts and victims; time, place and frequency of sexual abuses; wives' occupations; reasons of committing sexual abuses; how the sexual abuses were revealed, the handling of victims and intervention to the convicts. Children's sexual abuse can happen to anybody, anytime, anywhere, and by anybody. Parents need to closely guard their children, be more careful in choosing the children's environment, and tell them how to get help when they are sexually abused.

Biography

Indrayani is a Midwife with several years of working experiences as a Nurse of Public Health Center, Midwife Practitioner, Midwife Lecturer, Researcher, and Writer. She has completed her Master's degree in Midwifery from Universitas Padjadjaran. Currently, she works at Akademi Kebidanan Bina Husada, Tangerang. Her work has introduced her to many collaborative partners such as the Ministry of Health, governmental and non-governmental institution, association, and community. She has published four books on Midwifery and more than 15 papers on proceedings, in both national and international journals.

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