



Changes in functional performance level at Mother and Child Care Unit –CRP:

Caregiver's Perspective on Occupational Therapy Input.

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Abstract

Study design- Semi-structured, face to face interviews design was used to conduct this study.

Objective- The objective of the study was to explore the perspective of the caregivers about occupational therapy services at Mother and Child Care Unit in terms of changing functional status of their child.

Settings- This was conducted in the Mother and Child Care Unit of Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (CRP).

Method- To get impression about the understanding, feelings and perception of the caregivers a qualitative method was used to conduct this study.

Result- Maximum of the participants were able to explain what is occupational therapy, its treatment process and how it changes functional status. They expressed their feelings and expectations towards the occupational therapy services. Most of them have expressed that their child's functional abilities has improved in some extend. They have also suggested ways that the occupational therapy services can be made more effective.

Conclusion- This study results has shown that occupation therapy services should be tailor made, which will motivate the service users to continue the practices at home and every aspect of life.

Key words- Functional performance level, Mother and Child Care Unit, Caregivers perspective and occupational therapy input.