

**DOMICILIARY OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SERVICE IN
BANGLADESH: EXPERIENCES OF THE PEOPLE WITH
STROKE**

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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this research was to explore the participant's experiences about Domiciliary Occupational Therapy service for people with stroke. Participants received Occupational Therapy service at home from CRP. This qualitative study was conducted by using a phenomenological approach to determine patients' perspectives of home-based therapy. Semi-structured face to face interviews were conducted with six participants with stroke recruited from the city of Dhaka region. Six themes were identified by using content analysis through data analysis of the interviews: experiences of the participants about domiciliary occupational therapy service, addressing the importance of domiciliary occupational therapy service, domiciliary occupational therapy service helps the participants in his/her ADL, Occupational Therapy intervention values at home, participants have no challenges faced by Occupational Therapy intervention at home; however they became benefitted by domiciliary Occupational Therapy service, Participants have been recommended improving domiciliary occupational therapy service. The findings of these theme were compared with literature and interpretation. Both advantages and disadvantages for receiving occupational therapy at home setting were identified from the participant's perspective. The study also disclosed some important recommendations from the participants' perspectives to improve the Occupational Therapy intervention at home. At last, the findings of the study will help the occupational therapists and the organization in which they are working to understand the gap between literature and current practice.

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