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# The Effectiveness of "Neherta" Model as Primary Prevention of Sexual Abuse against Primary School Children in West Sumatera Indonesia 2017

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# **ABSTRACT**

**Background**: sexual abuse against elementary school children occurs in many countries around the world, including Indonesia. A module of "Neherta" model is one of intervention model of sexual abuse prevention that can be provided for primary school children. **Aim & Objective**: To know the effectiveness intervention Module of sexual abuse prevention against Children from "Neherta" model. **Material & Method**: Research Design Quasi-Experiments type Times Series Design with 864 samples. The study was conducted in Batusangkar City from Mei 2017 to November 2017. Data is analyzed using average grade of knowledge and attitudes of primary school-aged children. it proved by the results of multivariate tests, with a value of P = 0.00. **Conclusions**: Modules of the "Neherta" model proved to be effective increasing the average value of knowledge and elementary school-aged children's assertiveness in West Sumatra. It is recommended to test the module from the "Neherta" model in elementary school children outside West Sumatra.

Keywords: Neherta model, sexual violence, elementary school age children, intervention.

# INTRODUCTION

Primary prevention by providing direct intervention to children in a school-based are efficient and effective. this is effective because it will involve several prevention strategies, such as community, teachers, students, parents and other environments around (1, 2) one of the effective intervention modules is "Neherta" model which is made through the long stage as a result of doctoral dissertation<sup>(3)</sup>.

The module of "Neherta" model is one of the best intervention modules to increase knowledge and assertiveness of school-age children<sup>(3)</sup>. The learning method of this model based on school-age characteristics which are love to play and sing. it uses presentations, story discussions, pictorial sketches, video, roleplay, leaflet and singing with a minangkabau lyric as the learning media "Neherta" The learning method of this

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model based on school-age characteristics which are love to play and sing. it uses presentations, story discussions, pictorial sketches, video, roleplay, leaflet and singing with a minangkabau lyric as the learning media <sup>(3)</sup>. with a variety of learning, media will make them enjoy the lesson. therefore the purpose of this research is to see the effectiveness of "Neherta" model toward elementary school students in West Sumatra

# MATERIAL AND METHOD

This is quantitative research using quasi-experiments design with times series design, the population in this study are all the elementary student in West Sumatra with +819660 students, the sample in this study based on a krejcie table with 5% error is 864 students. The sample was selected randomly with multistage random sampling framework, ranging from a city, and subdistrict and Nagari. The sample selected by purposive sampling, it only take students on the 3rd year, 4th year and 5th year, with inclusion criteria: respondents always attend the class, health both physical and spiritual

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times measurement, they are the average of knowledge and the average of assertive attitude from the respondent. the data were analyzed by general linear model repeated measure. this study done in elementary school in West Sumatra for 9 months, started in mei until November 2017. this study was funded by the research unit of nursing faculty of Andalas University

Respondents are divided into 3 groups

- a. respondent that came from district/city area
- b. respondent that came from sub-district area
- c. respondent that came from Nagari
- all groups are given the same intervention using "Neherta" model
- the interventions are given by teachers from their school
- All teachers that give the intervention have been trained
- the interventions are given 3 times for 2 months with 4 4 times of measurement,: pre-intervention measurement, after the first intervention, after the second interventions, and after the last intervention

The intervention of knowledge that given to children are

- 4 important and secret part of their body
- they are allowed to say "no"
- the seduction pattern used by the sex offender

- perpetrators of sexual abuse against children
- what should their do if they have been victimized<sup>(3)</sup>

# **FINDINGS**

this study followed by 864 respondents and divided into three groups, the 1st group is a group that came from district/city area, the 2nd group is respondent that came from sub-district area and the last respondent is respondent that came from Nagari. the intervention is given 3 times with the same intervention, using 'Neherta' model. the interventions are given by their own respondent's school teacher. All teachers that give the intervention have been trained by researcher and they gave the similar perception by researcher it takes students on the 3rd year, 4th year and 5th year. consist of 61% women and 39% men. 30% respondents are 9 years old, 38% respondents are 10 years old, 28% respondents are 11 years old and 4% respondents are 12 years old. all respondents are Muslim from normality result test using Kolmogorov-Smirnov test known that the data normally distributed, so the data processing using General Linear Model Repeated Measure analysis can be used. The data shows the increase of average value in knowledge and assertive attitudes of respondent after receiving the intervention. the increase of average value in knowledge and assertive attitudes occurred in all groups of intervention respondent. to prove the increase of average value in knowledge and assertive attitudes of these 3 groups can be seen in hypothesis test in table 1.

Table 1: Statistical test results on the average increase of Knowledge and Attitude

Assertif between the three groups of respondents in 4 times the measurement.

Multivariate <sup>a,b</sup>									
Within Subjects Effect		Value	F Hypothesis		Error df	Sig.	Partial Eta Squared		
factor1	Pillai's Trace	.822	600.502	6.000	5166.000	.000	.411		
	Wilks' Lambda	.193	1099.092°	6.000	5164.000	.000	.561		
	Hotelling's Trace	telling's Trace 4.109 1767.547		6.000	5162.000	.000	.673		
	Roy's Largest Root	4.090	3521.868 <sup>d</sup>	3.000	2583.000	.000	.804		
factor1 * KLP	Pillai's Trace	.012	2.496	12.000	5166.000	.003	.006		
	Wilks' Lambda	.988	2.501°	12.000	5164.000	.003	.006		
	Hotelling's Trace	.012	2.505	12.000	5162.000	.003	.006		
	Roy's Largest Root	.011	4.696 <sup>d</sup>	6.000	2583.000	.000	.011		

Table 1 is multivariate result test, the test is to know the existence of the increase of the average value in knowledge and attitudes assertive of respondents in the three research groups. From table 4 can be seen that the increase in average knowledge and assertive attitude of respondents did rise. This increase is found in the three groups, where the increase occurs one week after getting the intervention, the p-value in the factor is 0.00.

This increase in average value continues to occur until the fourth measurement, it is after the third intervention. Interventions that given to the three groups are equally effective in increasing the average of the knowledge and assertive attitudes of the three groups. It can be seen from the p-value on the group factor \* shows the value of 0.003.

Table 2: The statistical test results on the increase in average knowledge and Assertiveness in the three intervention groups, where the initial average score (before intervention) as a comparison (simple contrast

Source	Measure	factor1	Type III Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.	Partial Eta Squared
	Knowledge	Level 1 vs. Level 4	14373.352	1	14373.352	3793.639	.000	.815
		Level 2 vs. Level 4	10113.352	1	10113.352	2829.496	.000	.767
		Level 3 vs. Level 4	5007.407	1	5007.407	3578.010	.000	.806
factor1	Assertiveness	Level 1 vs. Level 4	9794.307	1	9794.307	5383.954	.000	.862
		Level 2 vs. Level 4	5571.338	1	5571.338	2552.374	.000	.748
		Level 3 vs. Level 4	2210.560	1	2210.560	830.404	.000	.491
factor1 * KLP	Knowledge	Level 1 vs. Level 4	4.488	2	2.244	.592	.553	.001
		Level 2 vs. Level 4	1.211	2	.605	.169	.844	.000
		Level 3 vs. Level 4	3.627	2	1.814	1.296	.274	.003
	Assertiveness	Level 1 vs. Level 4	10.391	2	5.196	2.856	.058	.007
		Level 2 vs. Level 4	31.266	2	15.633	7.162	.001	.016
		Level 3 vs. Level 4	7.433	2	3.716	1.396	.248	.003
Error(factor1)	Knowledge	Level 1 vs. Level 4	3262.160	861	3.789			
		Level 2 vs. Level 4	3077.437	861	3.574			
		Level 3 vs. Level 4	1204.965	861	1.399			
	Assertiveness	Level 1 vs. Level 4	1566.302	861	1.819			
		Level 2 vs. Level 4	1879.396	861	2.183			
		Level 3 vs. Level 4	2292.007	861	2.662			

Table 2 shows that the average increase of knowledge and assertive attitudes of respondents occurred in the three intervention groups. The increase of the average value of knowledge and attitude has begun to occur in the second measurement, that is after getting the first intervention, this condition is proved by the value of p = 0.00, both knowledge and assertive attitude.

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Table 3: The statistical test results on the increase in the average value of knowledge and assertiveness groups by group comparison.

	Tests of Between-Subjects Effects								
Transformed Variable: Average									
Source	Measure	Type III Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.	Partial Eta Squared		
Intercept -	Knowledge	41278.685	1	41278.685	59511.160	.000	.986		
	Assertiveness	42486.634	1	42486.634	43528.389	.000	.981		
KLP	Knowledge	8.725	2	4.362	6.289	.002	.014		
	Assertiveness	.660	2	.330	.338	.713	.001		
Error	Knowledge	597.215	861	.694					
	Assertiveness	840.394	861	.976					

Table 3, is the test results of differences between groups, it shows that there is no difference of the average increase in knowledge value and assertive attitude between the three groups, with p=0.014 for knowledge and p=0.001 for assertive attitudes. it means the interventions given with module from the "Neherta" model to the three groups effectively increase

the average of knowledge and assertive attitudes of the respondents to all the intervention groups.

The increasing of the average value in knowledge and the assertive attitude of the three groups can be seen in Figure 1 and Figure 2.

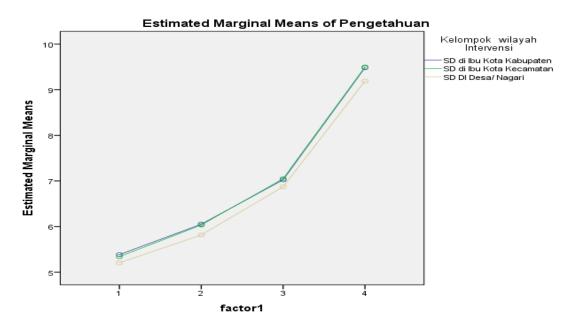


Figure 1: Graph of the average increase in knowledge value of respondents, after get 3 times intervention according to 4 times the measurement

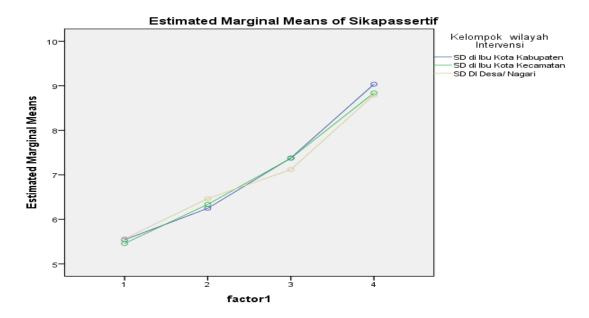


Figure2; Graph of average increase in value n assertive attitude of respondents, after get 3 times intervention according to 4 times the measurement

From Figure 1 and figure 2 it is clear that the average increase in the value of knowledge and assertive attitudes of the three intervention groups.

### DISCUSSION

Sexual abuse against school-aged children is increasing from year to year in various countries around the world (3-6). This sexual abuse harms the child, both physically, financially, and psychologically. The physical effects on children due to sexual abuse include Vaginitis, urinary tract infections, reproductive system infection (7). While the psychological impacts are depression, social disturbance, psychiatric disorders (5) the financial impact is the increase in expenditure on treatment of victims (8). Violence against children is not only harmful to children but also harm their family and country.

It will disadvantage the family, the children's victim of sexual abuse will spend a lot of time and amount of money to treat children's physical and psychological <sup>(9-12)</sup> beside that it will impact the country by the increasing amount of state expenditures for the treatment of children's victim of sexual abuse. This has been proven by research <sup>(13)</sup>.

Sexual abuse against children is one of the public health issues that require its resolution, as it will have a devastating impact on society (12, 14, 15). Therefore it should be immediately done apparent result to avoid child from sexual abuse. One of the efforts that have been done is to

provide the health education to children (3, 16).

The "Neherta" model is one of the intervention models for elementary school age children from research dissertation study and has been tested on 180 students. "Neherta" model intervention has also been carried out through research involving two different professions, nurses, and teachers. from the trials and studies by two different professions are known that the intervention of the "Neherta" model increased the knowledge and assertive attitudes of primary school-aged children.

The "Neherta" model intervention is one of the model using various teaching media (presentation, video, discussion using pictorial story sketch, role play, leaflet and sexual abuse prevention song by using Minangkabau, West Sumatra local language) and is set based on school-age characteristics who love to learn while playing. this Neherta model applied only in Padang the capital city of West Sumatra, to see the effectiveness of Neherta model to school-age children either in the city nor in Nagari/village, it is necessary to do another research involve the respondents from the district/city, subdistrict, and Nagari.

The result of the research has been found that Intervention model "Neherta" is effective to improve the knowledge and attitude of school-age children in all groups of respondents (table 3). The results also proved by the results of multivariate test in Table 4 (p = 0.003) on

the statistical test results there is an increase of average knowledge and assertive attitude in the three intervention groups, where the initial average value (before the intervention) as a comparison (simple contrast ) known that the average increase of knowledge and attitudes of assertive respondents has occurred starting from the first week (table 5) with the p=0.00 after receiving the first intervention the average value of knowledge and assertive attitude of respondents has started to rise. The increase in the average value of knowledge and assertive attitude on the three groups of respondents always increases in every measurement (table 6) p=0.00. It can be seen clearly in Figure 1 and Figure 2.

### **CONCLUSION**

Modules of the "Neherta Model" proved to be effective and efficient to improve the knowledge and elementary school students' attitudes of assertive in West Sumatra.

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**Ethical Clearance:** This study has passed of the medical research ethics of the Dr. M. Djamil Hospital Padang Indonesian.

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