# Correlation Between Emotional Support Of Family And Depression Incident Among Elderly Who Aged 60-74 Years Old In Ngumpul Village, Jogoroto Sub District Jombang City

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# CORRELATION BETWEEN EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OF FAMILY AND DEPRESSION INCIDENT AMONG ELDERLY WHO AGED 60-74 YEARS OLD IN NGUMPUL VILLAGE, JOGOROTO SUB DISTRICT JOMBANG CITY

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Generally, the physiological decline among elderly both physically and mentally will give an effect such as less sensitive to various stimuli both internal and external so elderly are vulnerable to mental disorders such as depression. The aim of this study to assess the correlation correlation between emotional support family and depression among elderly who aged 60-74 years old in Ngumpul Village, Jogoroto Sub District, Jombang City.

The research design in this study used analytic correlation with cross sectional approach. The population was all elderly people who aged 60-75 years old with the number of population is 526 people. The sample size was 55 respondents by using simple random sampling method. The data were collected by using questionnaire to assess emotional support of family and Geriatric Depression Scale questionnaire to assess depression level of elderly. Moreover, the data were analyzed by using Fisher's Exact Test statistic with  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

The results of this study found that almost all (78.2%) of respondents had good family support, and almost all (87.3%) of respondents did not have depression experience. The results of the Fisher's Exact Test obtained 0.000 <0.005. So, the conclusion in this research was there is relation between emotional supports of family with incidence of depression among Elderly who aged 60-74 years old in Ngumpul Village Jogoroto Sub-district, Jombang city.

Key words: emotional supports of family, Depression Incidence, Elderly

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

In essence to grow old is a natural process which means a person has gone through three stages of life, it are: childhood, adulthood and old age. The aging process is an inevitable biological process that everyone will experience. Family support factor is one of factor that can

influece stress level among elderly where the higher of family support system will make less stress experienced by elderly. However, a feeling of wasted from family also can increase the stress level among elderly where they were deposited in institution of elderly (Rosmiaty, 2006).

A person who experienced stress can be seen from the changes of physical condition. Complaints are often felt among people who experienced stress are angry, moody, anxious, anxious, sad, depressed, pessimistic, crying, mood or mood often change, decreased self-esteem or feel insecure, irritable, and has hostility, nightmares, and concentration/memory problem (Hawari 2013). Family support was needed for elderly. Family members' support is good examples for the elderly, such as doing or giving suggestion for healthy daily living. Family members who taking care or much give support for elderly in doing what they want to do (Azizah, 2011).

In 2010, the number of elderly in Indonesia an estimated 23.9 million or 9.77% and in 2020 will increasing with estimate 28.8 million or 11.34% (https://www.kemsos.go.id). In East Java the incidence of depression reached 7.18%, depression became one of the problems of mental disorders that are often occur among elderly (Kaplan, 2010). Based on data from the Central Bureau of Statistics (BPS) in 2015 the number of Elderly in East Java reached 4,209,817 people or (11.14%) of the total population in East Java (37,794,003 people). Based on data from the Jombang District Health Office in 2014 it was found that the data of elderly number in Puskesmas Mayangan Jombang is 11,615 people (Jombang Health Service, 2015). The elderly data in Ngumpul village which is the work area of Puskesmas Mayangan and the village built by FIK Unipdu Jombang in December 2016 amounted to 526 people.

Based on preliminary study in Ngumpul Village Jogoroto Sub-district Jombang Regency in December 2016 from 10 elderly people who had measured by GDS scale (geriatric depression scale) and found 60% (6 people) experienced depression in severe level, 20% (2 person) experienced depression in moderate level and 20% (2 persons) experienced depression in small level. Moreover, for family support there are 5 people who never get support, 2 people sometimes, 2 people often and 1 person always get support from family. Unutzer (2007) mentioned that depression in elderly was common in women group, in clients with chronic medical disorders or persistent insomnia, and in clients who have experienced stressful life events (eg loss of partners), functional decline, and social isolation.

Family support is one form of family therapy for elderly who experienced depression. So with give family support at leats they have family emotional feelings and it will give support for elderly and the elderly also can go through a period of their life. Therefore, the support from various level are needed, ranging from government institution to the family level to take care of the elderly life either through posyandu elderly, increasing the role of elderly in the organization, intergenerational relationship coaching, and skills training for the elderly (Amareta, 2008). Because in the group, the elderly can discuss about health, brainstorming, and gymnastics together (Amareta, 2008).

Based on the data above, the researchers interested in conducting research on "relationship between emotional support of family and the incidence of depression among elderly in the Ngumpul Village, Jogoroto District-Jombang".

### 2. METHODOLOGY RESEARCH

The research design in this study used correlational with cross sectional approach. Population in this study were all elderly who aged 60-74 years old in Ngumpul Village Jogoroto District, Jombang city with number 526 people. Sample in this research was part of elderly population who aged 60-74 years old with number of 55 people by using simple random sampling. The study was conducted in May 2018. Variable in this study was independent variable (emotional support family) and dependent variable (incidence of depression. The instrument used questionnaire.

#### 3. RESULTS OF THE STUDY

Table 1. Distribution of general data of respondent

Number	General data	Frequensies	Percentage
1	Education		
	Not attend the school	27	49.1

	Elementary/ Primary School (SD-SMP)	20	36.4
	Senior High School (SMA)	6	10.9
	University	2	3.60
2	Gender		
	Male	8	14.54
	Female	47	85.46
3	Information		
	Ever	44	80.0
	Never	11	20.0
4	Information source		
	Health care provider	44	100.0
	Magazine	0	0
	Radio/TV	0	0
	Internet	0	0
	Total	55	100

Tabel 2. Distribution of emotional family support data with depression incident among elderly who aged 60-74 years old

Number	Specific data	N	%
1	Emotional family support		

	Less	0	0
	Moderate	12	21.8
	Good	43	78.2
2	Depression incident		
	Depression	7	12.7
	Not depression	48	87.3
	Total	55	100.0

Tabel 3. Cross tabulation of correlation between emotional family support and depression incident among elderly who aged 60-74 years old

	Depression level			Total		
Emotional family support	depression Not depression					
	Σ	%	Σ	%	Σ	%
Enough	6	10.9	6	10.9	12	21.8
Good	1	1.8	42	76.4	43	78.2
Total	7	12.7	48	87.3	55	100
$\rho = 0{,}000  \alpha = 0{,}05$						

## 4. Discussion

## 1. Emotional family support

Table 2 showed that almost all (78.2%) of respondents had good emotional family support of 43 people.

The emotional family support is an attitude, action and acceptance of family for family member who sick healthy. Family as a safe and peaceful place to rest and restore also manage the emotions. Aspects of emotional support are including support form of affection, trust, attention, listen and listening. Family members think that supportive people are always ready to provide help and assistance if needed (Friedman (1998) in Akhmadi (2009)).

Family support is important to someone. In this study found that alsmost all elderly have good family support. This is makes the elderly feel calm in their daily life so they rarely feel worried.

Table 1 showed that almost half of respondents have elementary and secondary education of 26 people (46%).

The higher level of education will likely get support from the people around him. The basic concept of education is a meaningful process of learning in education and it has growth process, development or change toward a better mature, and more mature in the individual, group or community (Kodriati, 2010). In this case the cognitive abilities will shape the thinking of a person including the ability to understand the factors associated with the disease and an effort to maintain their health (Rahayu, 2008).

Respondents who educated in elementary and middle school (elementary, junior high school) are able to think more mature that respondents feel that they have support from their family to go through to their elder period, so they can feel calm and not worry when faced with problems because they have strong emotional support of family and family availability to provide time to give solutions to their problems. Moreover, elderly who educated in elementary, junior high school were get good support from the family and also this because the elderly also ever get information from health workers about mental health and how to deal with depression among elderly.

#### 2. Depresson incident among elderly who aged 60-74 years old

Table 2 showed that almost all (87.3%) of respondents were not have depression experience by 48 people.

Depression is a natural disorder of mood that is characterized by depth and sadness and continued until feels lose of life, not has problem about reality testing abilities / RTA is still good, personality remains intact (no splitting of personality), the behavior can be

disrupted but within normal limits (Hawari, 2013). Depression is a disturbing mood of feelings, with the main symptom of sadness. This symptom was easy to find with the prevalence rate of 4-5% of the population, ranging from less, moderate, or severe degrees of disturbance. Judging from the clinical aspect, depression can stand on its own, is a symptom of another disease, has various physical symptoms, or occurs along with other diseases (comorbidities), so it can complicate management (Sudiyanto, 2010).

Depression that occurs in the elderly in a category where the level of depression is not disruptive or obstructing in their life, so they can still carry out daily activities on a regular and timely basis and the elderly also happy to do their daily activities. According to researchers at the interview time found that the respondent who has depression was because of bed an event or unconditional environment (often left by their families), anxiety, negative thoughts (bored living in this world) and a small percentage of family members who have experienced depression.

Based on table 1 showed that almost half (46%) of the respondents were hold primary and secondary education (elementary, junior high, high school).

Education means that the guidance for someone to the development of others person to get their ambition and in the end they get achievement and happiness. Education is needed to get information such as things that support health so as to improve the quality of life. Education can affect a person as well as a person's behavior of lifestyle especially in motivating to participate in the attitude of development. In general, the higher of education will more easily receive information (Wawan, 2010).

According to the researcher someone who educated has a good way of thinking, especially in dealing with a problem for elderly. With a good way of thinking so the respondents when faced with a problem can solve and prevent depression.

Based on Table 1 showed that almost all respondents (80%) received information sources from health workers. The ease of obtaining information can help accelerate a person to increase new knowledge (Mubarok, 2010).

According to researchers of the elderly who get the source of information from health workers will get the right information about the importance of doing emotional calm in the aging process so that they do not experience depression.  Relationship of emotional family support with depression incidence among elderly who aged 60-74 years old.

Based on table 3 showed that out of 29 respondents family support, almost all of depression incidence among elderly who aged 60-74 years old was not depressed, 42 respondents (76.4%).

From the results of Fisher's Exact Test obtained a significant number or probability value (0,000) is significantly lower standard than 0.05 or (r < a), it mean that Ho was rejected and H1 was accepted which means there is a relationship between emotional family support and the incidence of depression among Elderly who aged 60-74 years in the Ngumpul Village, Jogoroto District Jombang.

Depression is a period of disruption of human function associated with the nature of sad feelings and symptoms, including: changes in sleep patterns and appetite, psychomotor, concentration, anhedonia, fatigue, despair and helplessness, and the risk of suicide. Depression can be a chronic and repetitive problem that will result in someone being unable to take care of themselves, besides depression can also lead to suicide. But depression in the elderly can be prevented by the emotional family support, family support is a combination of attitudes and acceptance that can help old age deal with problems. There are several forms of family support such as information support, assessment support, instrumental support, and emotional support (Wiguna, 2010).

Emotional family support is a form of family therapy that can be given to elderly people who are depressed, through family a variety of health problems that arise at once can be overcome. So with the support of families who have an emotional bond at least will give strength to the elderly to live a better old age, therefore it needs support from various parties, ranging from government agencies to the family level to care for the lives of the elderly through the elderly posyandu, improve the role of the elderly in political and religious organizations, as well as enhancing spiritual formation at the end of the elderly life.

#### 5. Conclusion and recommendation

Conclusion:

- a. Emotional support of family in Ngumpul Village, Jogoroto District, Jombang District is almost entirely good.
- b. The incident of depression among elderly who aged 60-74 years in Ngumpul Village, Jogoroto District, Jombang District, almost entirely is not depressed.
- c. There is a relationship between emotional support of family with the incidence of depression among elderly who aged 60-74 years in the village of Ngumpul Jogoroto District, Jombang Regency.

## Suggestion:

Can provide adequate education and information for the elderly and families such as lifestyle, ways of daily adaptation, personality strength and interest.

#### 6. Ethical clearance

The ethical clearance of this study was approved etic commission by health research of Nursing Faculty of Airlangga University, East Java. The number letter 663-KEPK on February 26, 2018.

#### 7. Conflict of interest statement

The quality of life and life expectacy of elderly people was special attantion in government, because life expectacy is one of indicator for successful national development. So, the prevention of depression among elderly was very importance and really need attantion and family support is one of best idea to reducing depression among elderly.

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