ABSTRACT

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Only child who have been diagnosed with cancer will make parents experience stress, especially mother, because mother are more directly involved in issues related to the treatment of child cancer. The stress experienced by mother may adversely affect the welfare of children who suffering from cancer. Thus, the need for mother's resilience for overcome the stress experienced by mother. Resilience is the human capacity to face, overcome and be strengthened by or even transformed by the adversities of life (Grotberg, 1995). This research aims to acquire description of resilience of mother who has an only child with cancer. This research involve three subjects with characteristics were mother with aged of 40-65 years, and has an only child with cancer ages of 11-18 years. This research used qualitative methode, data collection was conducted with in-depth interview. The result showed that the three subjects succeed in building resilience to overcome their problems related to the condition of their child's cancer. SU and SH fulfill all the seven factors of resilience, while SA fulfill six factors of resilience except causal analysis factor. The three subjects also fulfill all the sources of resilience, which received a lot of support from others, have the inner strength and have the ability to conduct interpersonal relationship.

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