ABSTRACT
ANALYSIS OF PATIENTS' UNDERSTANDING OF ANTIBIOTIC USE IN THE WORK AREA OF TAMALATE PUBLIC HEALTH CENTER MAKASSAR CITY

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Antimicrobial resistance cases are becoming more common in the local community. This occurs due to the misuse of antibiotics. In order to prevent the development of antibiotic resistance in patients who are in the working area of the Tamalate Public Health Center, health personnel at the facility are required to support disease prevention and promotion measures. The objective of this study was to ascertain how well patients comprehend the different types of antibiotics and how to use them, as well as how health professionals may help patients gain this understanding.

To understand how to understand the use of antibiotics in patients in the Tamalate Public Health Center work area and the role of health workers to provide patients with understanding of the types of types of antibiotics and their use, this study applied a qualitative descriptive study with a questionnaire data collection method that was strengthened by observation data, document review, and interviews.

The findings revealed that while the patient's grasp of the usage of antibiotics was still lacking, their understanding of the sorts of antibiotics that the community frequently used was rather strong. Although patients are aware of the different types of antibiotics, if they do not understand how to take them properly, it will result in irrational use, which will increase antibiotic resistance. The Tamalate Public Health Center's on-duty medical staff has a limited role in educating patients about the different types of antibiotics and how to utilize them. This is because there aren't enough people, facilities, and infrastructure to sustain them. In order to prevent antibiotic resistance, informational material such as public service announcements, banners, and pamphlets about using antibiotics wisely were created.

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