

**A DESCRIPTIVE STUDY TO ASSESS THE LEVEL OF KNOWLEDGE ON MINOR  
AILMENTS IN PREGNANCY AMONG ANTENATAL MOTHERS IN SELECTED  
TERTIARY HOSPITAL, KANCHIPURAM, TAMILNADU**

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**ABSTRACT**

A study was conducted “to assess the level of knowledge on minor ailments in pregnancy among antenatal mothers in selected tertiary hospital, kanchipuram, Tamilnadu.” The objectives of the study were to assess the knowledge regarding minor ailments among antenatal mother and to associate knowledge level on minor ailments during pregnancy with demographic variables like age, education, trimester of pregnancy & parity.

A non experimental- quantitative approach and descriptive research design was adopted. The study was conducted at Obstetrics & Gynecology outpatient department, CHRI, with 30 as sample size using convenience sampling technique. The populations for the present study were the antenatal mothers who are fulfilling the inclusion criteria.

The researcher had distributed the structured self instructing questionnaire to the selected samples. The samples were given with 15minutes of time to fill the data sheets, and were collected back later. The results suggests that Most of antenatal mothers i.e) 43% had average knowledge, 40% had good knowledge, 10 % of them had poor knowledge, 6% of were with excellent knowledge on minor ailments during pregnancy. The findings showed that there was a significant association between age of mothers with their knowledge on minor ailments during pregnancy, but on the variables like educational status, parity, and trimester of pregnancy had no association

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