

Child Well-Being During Pandemic in Indonesian Perspective

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ABSTRACT

During the pandemic, child well-being became a serious problem that needs to be solved. This research was conducted qualitatively and aims to describe child well-being during the COVID-19 pandemic. 111 children participants lived in Jakarta Indonesia and an online questionnaire was filled out by their parents to get information about their children's well-being. The findings showed that during the pandemic children easily feel impatient and easy to get confused. Fathering has a positive influence on child well-being during pandemics. Fathers showed their affection through words and cooperate with mothers to take care of their children while working from home. Fathers still exemplify their responsibility in financial support to their children and family although there was a degradation in parents' socioeconomic status and it made an enhancement in parenting stress. This result confirms that people in Indonesia need to change the paradigm regarding the role of fathers who have only been breadwinners and fathers need to be more involved in child care so that child well-being becomes optimal.

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