PRESENCE OF PERVERSE VIOLENCE IN THE ELDERLY DEPENDENT

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In many parts of the world the abuse of the elderly goes almost unnoticed. Until recently, this serious social problem was hidden from public view and was regarded as an essentially private matter (WHO, 2014).

Introduction

Even today, mistreatment of the elderly remains a taboo, usually underestimated and neglected by societies around the world. However, there is growing evidence that this is a major public health and society problem (WHO, 2014). This term was described in 1975 in British magazines used as “granny battering”. But it was the United States Congress who first addressed this in both social and political issues (WHO, 2003).

The statistics of abuse of the elderly are unrealistic data because most of the older adults do not report the assault, mainly because those are usually from the same family and don’t want them to be punished because many times the caregiver is the only family member that they have or simply for avoiding reprisals (INAPAM, 2014). In the literature review, this behavior found in several studies that mostly exerted violence is psychological violence often associated with older adults who lives longer and functional dependency. We found that many of the organizations and institutions use the term of abuse instead violence.

Methodology

For this study is proposed a transversal descriptive correlational design with predictive scope in order to submit hypotheses to describe the variables of interest and then establish the relationship between both.

The study population will consist of older adults from the city of Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico.

To carry out the relevant measurements will be implemented the Barthel index Lawton and Brody to meet the functionality of the elderly participants and a property design instrument to know if perverse violence against the elderly are exercised is used.

Bibliography


