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THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SELF-EFFICACY AND SOCIAL SUPPORT WITH EFFECTIVE BREASTFEEDING AMONG POSTPARTUM MOTHERS IN PADANG WEST SUMATRA

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Background: Many opportunities gets from breastfeeding, not only for the baby but also for mother. In fact, the breastfeeding rate remains low year by year. The mother's circumstance and her-self might influence this rate.

Objective: The objective of this study is to identify the relationship between self-efficacy and social support with effective breastfeeding among mother in Padang, West Sumatra.

Methods: This study was using correlation with cross sectional study. It was conducted with 397 mothers who have baby with age less than six months. Social support and self-efficacy was investigated by using questionnaires and LATCH breastfeeding assessment tools for effective breastfeeding. Data were analyzed using Spearman rho Correlation.

Results: There was significant correlation between social support: Family's and health workers' and mother's self-efficacy on effective breastfeeding with p < 0.05.

Conclusion: More than 50% mother did breastfeeding to their baby. Family's and health worker's support and mother's self-efficacy has relation with effective breastfeeding. It means support from the people surrounding of mother important in order to do effective breastfeeding.

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