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# ملخص البحث

أجريت هذه الدراسة المقطعية على 50 ممرضة داخل مستشفى المك نمر الجامعي وذلك لتقييم معرفة الممرضة عن الإلتهاب الرئوي لدى الأطفال.

في الفترة من ديسمبر 2009 – مارس 2010 باستخدم إستبيان يحتوي على أسئلة مغلقة وأخرى مفتوحة.

وكانت أهداف هذه الدراسة تقييم معرفة الممرضات تجاه الإلتهاب الرئوي وتقييم التطبيق المبكر للإلتهاب الرئوي ومعرفة أنواعه والمضاعفات الناتجة منه.

وقد أظهرت النتائج أن أعلى نسبة 46% لمعرفة أسباب الألتهاب الرئوي وأدنى نسبة هي 8%.

لمعرفة أنواع إلتهاب الجهاز التنفسي العلوي أعلى نسبة 45% وأدنى نسبة 45% ومعرفة المضاعفات أعلى نسبة 54% وأدنى ونسبة 16% وأعلى نسبة لعلاج الإلتهاب الرئوي 70% وأدنى نسبة 8%.

وأعلى نسبة لمعرفة نوع الحمى في أعراض الإلتهاب هي 100%

وقد لوحظ وجود فروقات ذات دلالة إحصائية بين أفراد العينة بالنسبة المستوى التعليمي للممرضات ونسبة معرفتهن بأمراض الجهاز التنفسي وكيفية تقديم العناية للأطفال.

وقد صيغت التوصيات تبعاً لهذه النتائج بضرورة زيادة الوعي الصحي للممرضات عن طريق الكورسات والممارسات العملية والطبية لإلتهاب الجهاز التنفسي.

# **Abstract**

Knowledge of nurses about pneumonia is very important for preventing and avoiding complication.

A descriptive based cross-sectional study was conducted to assess knowledge of nurses regarding pneumonia in Elmak Nimer university hospital as 50 nurses were including in this study. In the period extending from December 2009 to March 2010 using questionnaire containing open and dosed ended question this study revealed that there is most of nurses age between 20-30 years and knowledge of nurses about pneumonia ware depended on level of education Bacloria 76%, Diploma 24% and years of experience less than two years 54%, more than two years 20%.

More than 30% of nurses did not known how to assess signs and symptom and how to prevent pneumonia .

The study recommended that pneumonia causes for nurses should be comprehensive, advanced and with up to date technology to safegured then child and protect the life of children and to promote health of individual and community

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### Introduction

#### Pneumonia:

It is an acute infection and inflammation of the lung parenchyma caused by various organisms like penumococci, staphylococci, entamoeba hystalitica, virus etc.

Pneumonias may be classified according to the sites as lobar pneumonia and bronchopneumonia.

Pneumonia may occur at any age but infants and elderly are more vulnerable. It affects both genders equally. It is more common in winter and rainy season.

Poor environmental condition, overcrowding and poor sanitation may precipitate pneumonia.

The microorganisms that give rise to pneumonia are always present in upper respiratory tract. They cause no harm in a healthy person. When the resistance is lowered the organisms attack lungs.

Acute and chronic respiratory diseases such as influenza, chronic bronchitis, bronchietasis, etc. may lead to pneumonia. Diseases like leukemia, myeloma, lymphoma, esophageal carcinoma, etc. may lead to secondary pneumonia.

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Inhalation of anesthetic agents during surgery, treatment with drugs like steroids and immunosuppressive agents, radiation, etc may cause pneumonia as complication.

In lobar pneumonia a segment or a few segments of a lobe or an entire lobe may be affected. It may spread to other lobes of the same lung or to opposite lung. When it affects both lungs it is called bilateral pneumonia. Specifically the most common site is lower lobe of right lung.

There is swelling and congestion of lung parenchyma.

Microscopically alveolar walls are swollen and congested.

There is also inflammation of overlying pleura (pleurisy).

In bronchopneumonia the inflammation of the lung parenchyma is localized around the bronchi and the lung is spotted with clusters of infected tissue. It less fatal than lobar pneumonia. But relapses are common.

Pneumonia is manifested by high temperature of 103 – 105f (38.9 – 40.5c) which is continuous in nature and is associated with chills and rigor. Fever is accompanied by headache and body ache. There is chest pain due to associated pleurisy. Dyspnoea is present. There is cough with tenacious

sputum which gradually turns rusty. Patient complains of malaise and weakness.

Patient also suffers from rapid pulse rate, flushed face, skin is hot and moist. Pallor and central cyanosis may be present. There may be hypotension.

On examination following are the findings restricted expansion of the affected part of the chest, percussion presents impaired resonance breath sound is found to be diminished and crepitations are heard on auscultation.

Investigations include blood cell count which shows leucocytosis e.g. 15000 – 20000 per cubic mm with 85-90% polymorphs. Sputum tests show presence of the causative organism. Chest x-ray shows opacity over the affected region which me be due to solidification of lung parenchyma.

The treatment includes bed rest in propped up position humidified oxygen inhalation with nasal catheter or masks antibiotic therapy may also be necessary to combat infection. Penicillin 1 mega unit IM 6 hourly for 7 to 10 days (if patient is allergic to penicillin then tetracycline or erythromycin may be given).

Expectorants are given to help cough out sputum. In severe cough codeine phosphate is given to relive cough.

Intravenous saline drip is usually started. As patient's condition improves plenty of oral fluid is given. Diet should be liquid bland and easily digestible to be given in small amount at frequent intervals.

Complications may be septicemia, lung abscess, pleural effusion, empyema, respiratory failure, congestive cardiac failure, acute endocarditis, obstructive jaundice, paralytic illus, peritonitis meningitis, oliguria, pneumococcal conjunctivitis, acute supportive otitis media, osteomyelitis and supportive arthritis.

# Justification

All respiratory problems in children is main causes or morbidity and also contribute in ever death.

Pneumonia common disease in pediatrics manly in infant and early child hood. It increase in winter because that may research aims assessment knowledge of nurses in hospital to give proper immediate care and to prevent complication.

# Research objectives

# General Objective:

Assessment of nurse's knowledge regarding pneumonia

# **Specific objectives:**

- 1. To assessment nurses evaluation of early management of pneumonia
- 2. To assessment nurses knowledge about types of pneumonia.
- 3. To assessment nurses knowledge about respiratory infection.
- 4. Identify complication of pneumonia.

# Literature Review

### Pneumonia:

Bacteria pneumonia may be caused by several organism.

Clinically they may be difficult to distinguish.

Pneumococcal pneumonia caused by hemophilus influenza are presented briefly in table "1"

The highest incidence of pneumococcal pneumonia is during late winter and early spring. In childhood, it occurs most frequently in the first 4 years of life. In infants, bronchopneumonia is more common, whereas in older children and adults one or more lobes are involved in the disease process without affection the remainder of the bronchopneumonia there is consolidation of scattered lobules and the mucosa in inflamed.

The infant usually has amid upper respiratory tract infection of several days duration consisting of a stuffy hose, fretfulness and decrease in appetite. This initial phase is followed by an abrupt onset of fever from 39.4C° to 40.6C° (103 + 0105°F) restlessness in apprehension and respiratory distress, the infant may have a generalized convulsion due to high fever, observation of the infant may reveal flushed checks, circumoral cyanosis, nezal flaring suprasternal. Intercostals and sub costal

retraction tachypnea and tachycardia a cough appears as the course progresses abdominal distention may be due to swallowed air or paralytic ileus, meningism may be present. The white blood cell count ranges from 15.000 to 40.000/mm3 polymorphonuclear leukocytes predominate on x-ray a patchy infiltration of one or several lobes is found, indicating bronchopneumonia, the causative organism is recovered in secretions from the trachea from pleural fluid obtained by thoracentesis, or from blood, the most common complication is empyema the orgnosis is favorable.

Penicillin G is the most effective antimicrobial orgent in the treatment of pneumonoical pneumonia. If the infant is allergic to penicillin, erythromycin or cephalothin is an effective agent, the remainder of the treatment is symptomatic and supportive, bed rest, an abundance of oral fluid and antipyretic for fever, oxygen and mist are administered to alleviate respiratory distress and anxiety. If empyma occurs athoracentesise is done. Inter venous fluid are given to combat dehydration and electrolyte imbalance.

#### **Classification:**

#### A) According to causes:

- 1- Bacterial pneumonia
- 2- Viral pneumonia

#### **Bacterial:**

### (1) 1/ Staphylococcus

2/ Age: under 1 year

3/ Signs and symptoms:

Recourand hospitalization or maternal breast abscess, respiratory infection upper or lower, for several days to 1 week followed by abrupt change fever, cough, respiratory distress, tachypnea, grunting, respiration, sternal and subcostal retraction, cyanosis, anxiety, lethargic if undisturbed, irritable, if roused, pyopneumothorax, pneumatoceles and empyema as clinical course progresses.

#### (2) Laboratory reports:

WBC: Normal range in young infant, 20.000/mm3 with predominat polymorphoundear leukocytes in older infant tracheal aspiration and 1 or pleural tap culture positive x-ray patchy infiltration or dense (bronchopneumonia or/D bar)

#### (3) Treatment:

- Symptomatic and supportive
- Oxygen
- ⋄ Semi fowler's position
- Parentral fluids during acute phase
- Methicillin or penicillin G for 3 weeks or 1m
- Thoracentesis
- Closed chest drainage with extensive involvement for 5-7 days
- Hospitalized

#### (2) Streptococcus group A

- 1- Age 3-5 years
- 2- Sign and symptom:

Mild prodromal symptoms followed by sudden onset of high fever, chills, respiratory distress clinical course similar to staphylococcal, compilation: empyema and bacterial foci in bones and joints

### (3) Laboratory reports:

- WBC: elevated with polymorphouncear leukocytes predominating
- So titer elevated

Positive culture

X-ray disseminated infiltration

(4) Treatment:

Symptomatic and suportire

• Penicillin G

Thoracentesis

Closed drainage

(3) Hemophillus infulunzea

Age: Infants and young children

Sign and symptoms:

Mild or sever insidious onset chemical course sub acute

and prolonged of several week duration, signs and symptoms

similar to pneumococcal signs and symptoms in young infants

associated with bacteremia and emphysema, complication:

bacterimia, pericaritis, cellulites empyema, meningitis

pyarthrosis.

(2) Laboratory reports:

Bactrimia

Positive culture

Moderate leukocytosis with lymphopenia

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#### (1) Treatment:

- Symptomatic and supportive
- Ampicillin

#### **B)** Other types:

#### 1- Chemical Pneumonia:

The severity of intensity of the manifestations of chemical pneumonia depends on three factors which should be considered in every case of aspiration or ingestion. The material ingested, the amount involved most chemical pneumonia seen in clinical pediatrics fall into one of two categories hydrocarbon and lipid pneumonias, some authorities believe that aspiration of lipids and hydrocarbons during swallwing, vomting or gastric large is the cause of lung involvement.

### 2- Hydrocarbon Pneumonia:

Kerosens, gasoline and turpentine are potentially harmful substances which are often accidentally ingested by children, particularly curious toddler other substances include furniture polish certain insect sprays (where the propellant is usually kerosene) and lighter and cleaning fluids. If the amount swallwed is in excess of 10cc, the toxicity increases greatly, within an hour

after ingestion nausea. Vomiting and coughing may occur with evidence of central nervous system involvement.

Such as draws ness, evident as a result of the inhaled vapors. Gastro interites will be present in those youngsters who have ingested kerosene, but it does not occur in those children who have swallwed gasoline, these patient are frequently febrile with temperatures from 38 to  $40c^{\circ}$  ( $100 - 104f^{\circ}$ ) methemoglobin formation may also be demonstrated about 40 percent of these children develop pulmonary complications synosis and dysphea may also be manifested. On physical examination there may be suppressed breath sounds, rales, and diminished resonance on percussion, however, roentiraphic studies most frequently depict the extent of pulmonic involvement.

Although complications such as pnemo thorax subcutaneous emphysema of the chest wall and pleural effusion including emypema may occur in most instaces recovery is in 3 to 7 days, the different in subsequent recovery depend upon the patient and in the case of a kerosene ingestion, the constinitution of the kerosene for it varies according to the tempruller at which the cracking process was carried out.

#### 3- Lipid Pneumonia:

Lipid pneumonia caused by the aspiration or accumulation of oil in the alveoli is a chronic debilitated infants with improper swallwing or depressed cough reflexes. In children who are force- fed or maintained in a horizontal position. The aspiration of milk is a common cause of lipid bronchopneumonia in the first year of life.

Administration substances with oily based such as mg result in lipid pneumonia.

As a rule, vegetable oils such as olive oil, cottonseed oil, and sesame oil are the least toxic and the least irritating lipids they are not hydrolyzed by lung lipases. Cause little damage and are removed, mainly by expectoration. Further more, animal oils – such as cod-liver are very dangerous because they have a very high fatty acid content, and when hydrolyzed by lung lipases the liberated fatty acids combine with those present in the originally aspirated substance and produce sever inflammatory responses, aspiration after initial interstitial, proliferative an in inflammatory response occurs the second phase involve the development of diffuse, proliferative fibrosis, which is followed by the formation of multiple localize nodules.

A cough is present and dyspnia may be evident in sever cases however there may be no other manifestation unless there is a superimposed infection. As expected secondary bronchopneumonic infection are common. Roentgenoraphic chest films reveal patchy to nodular infiltration or densities, especially in the right lung.

The prognosis is dependent upon the extent of involvement whether, administered oil preparations are continued and overall physical status of the young child. Treatment is symptomatic and the prevention of secondary infection is essential. Surgical resection may be considered later, should pulmonic involvement be localized to one segment or lobe.

### B) Forms of infections pneumonia:

#### 1. Lobar pneumonia:

All or a large segment of one or more pulmonary lobes is involved

### 2. Broncho pneumonia:

Begins in the terminal bronchioles, become clogged with mucopurulent exudates to form consolidated patches in lobules.

### 3. Interstitial pneumonia:

The inflammatory process is more or less confined within the alveolar wall & the per bronchial and interlobular tissues.

#### C) According to Severity of symptoms:

### 1. Mild pneumonia

- ⋄ Fever
- Cough
- Malaise
- ⋄ Chills
- Rapid & shallow respiration

### 2. Severe pneumonia

- Previous signs
- Chest indrawing

### 3. Very severe pneumonia:

Child has all previous manifestations puls the following danger signs

- Grunting
- Unable to drink
- Sleep disturbance
- Severe malnutrition
- Assess WBCs & culture for the organisms

### **Nursing Management:**

The infant who has pneumonia heeds rest and is disturbed as little as possible. His respiratory status is assessed frequently and appropriate measures instituted fluids are necessary to maintain electrolytes and normal specific gravity of the urine, but the infant should not be forced to eat since he is anorexic. Intravenous therapy may be necessary the infant may position change will prevent the pooling of secretions and maintain

adequate circulation postural drainage and clapping may be necessary to assist the infant in reliving congestion.

Taking and accurate temperature is important in preventing febrile convolution. If the infant temperature is 38.9c° (102f°) the nurse administers the prescribed an tipyretic. A fever of 39.4c° (103f°) or above necessitates as sponge bath with tepid water. A distended abdomen may be indicative of constipation, paralytic illus or swallowed air due to mouth brating. A rectal tube may provide some relief nor constipation and swallowed air or the physician may order an enema. Excoriation due to coplous nasal discharge may be prevented through effective skin care.

The nurse observe the child for signs of tension pnumo thorax due to empyema, particularly if the pneumonia is staphylococcal in origin an abrupt onset of pain, dyspnea cyanosis and absent or diminished chest movement on one side indicates the need for athoracentesis.

The spread of a staphylococcal infection is a night mare in a pediatric unit. The infant with staphylococcal pneumonia is placed on strict isolation and meticulous precutions are observed by all who care for him, the nurse may have to intervened by all who care for him. The nurse may have to intervene with allied hospital personnel by teaching them the importance of carrying out strict isolation technique. The infant needs oxygen therapy and blood determination for electrolytes, hemoglobin hematocrit, white blood cell count and differential, and so forth, therefore the nurse acids in the prevention of spread of a staphylococcal infection by ensuring the observance of strict solution technique by hospital personal.

# Research Methodology

### Study Design:

This descriptive study data collection done by collecting information from nurses through questionnaire about assessment of nurses knowledge regarding pneumonia.

### Study Area:

This study area is Emak Nimer University hospital as Shendi city, river Nile State, Sudan. Which is located north of Khartoum about 167km, population about 80000 persons (who 2003) most of them are farmers.

# Study Population:

The population in this study include the nurses who working in Elmak Nimer University Hospital.

### Sampling & Sample Size:

All nurses in Elmak Nimer University Hospital. The size of sample about 50 nurses.

### Data Analysis:

The collected data will be computerized, analyzed tabulated by using appropriate statistical analysis program.

Results

Table No (1) Show Qualification:

Qualification	Frequency	Percentage
Diploma	12	24%
Bachloria	38	76%
Post graduate	0	0%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (1) Show Qualification:

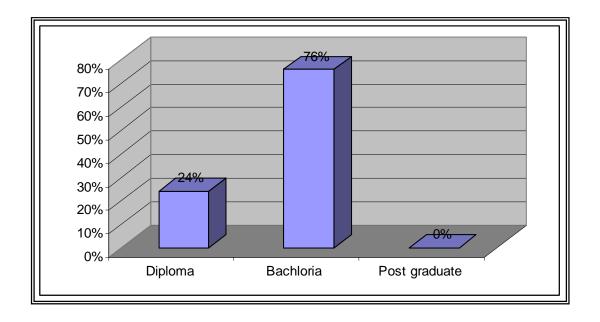


Table No (2) Show years of experience:

Years of experience	Frequency	Percentage
< 2 year	27	54%
2-3 years	15	20%
> 4 years	13	26%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (2) Show years of experience:

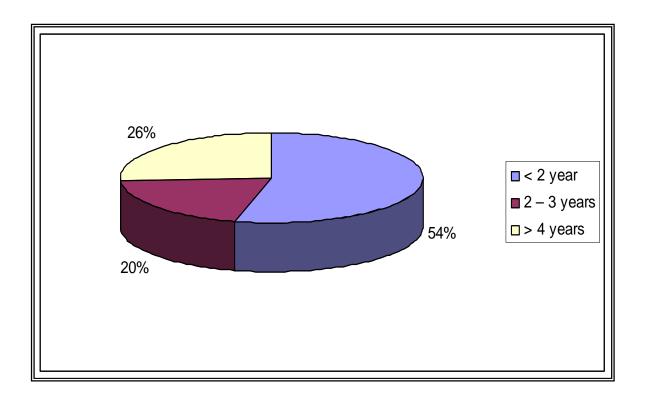


Table No (3) Show where are you working:

Where are you working	Frequency	Percentage
Surgical word	10	20%
I.C.U	2	4%
Pediatric	10	20%
Medical word	9	18%
Other	19	38%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (3) Show where are you working:

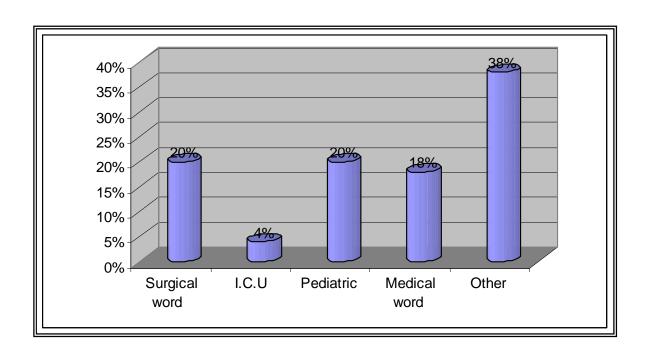


Table No (4) assessment of nurses knowledge about common types of upper respiratory infection:

Common types of upper	Frequency	Percentage
Pharingites	12	24%
Larengites	2	4%
Asthma	9	18%
Pneumonia	27	54%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (4) assessment of nurses knowledge about common types of upper respiratory infection:

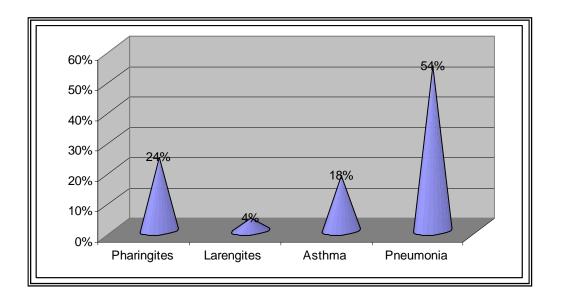


Table No (5) assessment of nurses knowledge about what is pneumonia:

What is pneumonia	Frequency	Percentage
Viral infection	18	36%
Bacterial infection	23	46%
Others	9	18%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (5) assessment of nurses knowledge about what is pneumonia:

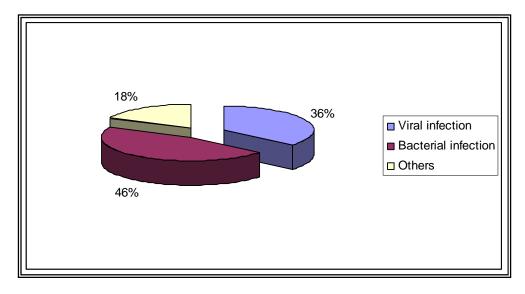


Table No (6) assessment of nurses knowledge about early nursing evaluation of pneumonia patient:

Evaluation of pneumonia	Frequency	Percentage
Chest sound	12	24%
Check V/S	31	62%
Check O2	7	14%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (6) assessment of nurses knowledge about early nursing evaluation of pneumonia patient:

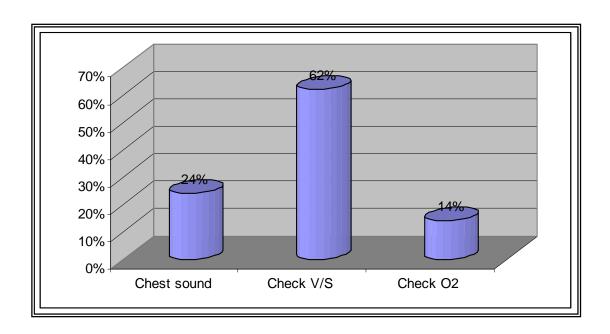


Table No (7) assessment of nurses knowledge about what is the types of pneumonia according to causative agent?

Types of pneumonia according to	Frequency	Percentage
causative agent	1	

Viral	18	36%
Bacterial	26	52%
Hydrocorponic	4	8%
Lipid	2	4%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (7) assessment of nurses knowledge about what is the types of pneumonia according to causative agent?

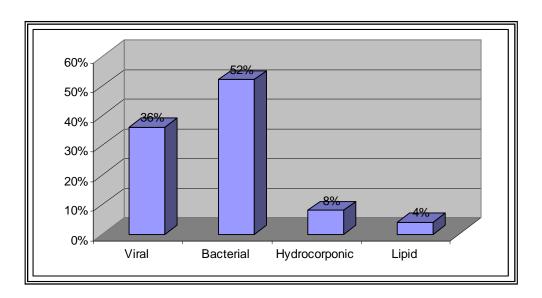


Table No (8) assessment of nurses knowledge about causes of hydrocarponic pneumonia:

Causes of hydrocarponic pneumonia	Frequency	Percentage
Kerosene aspiration	22	44%
Toxicicty	13	26%
Foreign body	15	30%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (8) assessment of nurses knowledge about causes of hydrocarponic pneumonia :

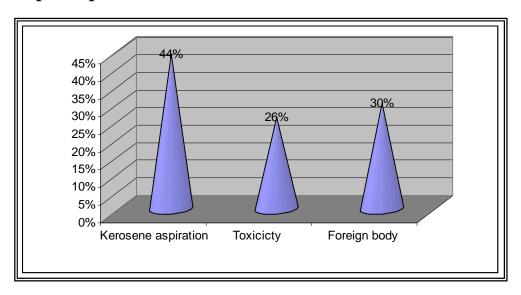


Table No (9) assessment of nurses knowledge about management lipid pneumonia:

Management lipid pneumonia	Frequency	Percentage
Fluids	2	4%
O2 therapy	5	10%
Suction	9	18%
All of them	34	68%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (9) assessment of nurses knowledge about management lipid pneumonia:

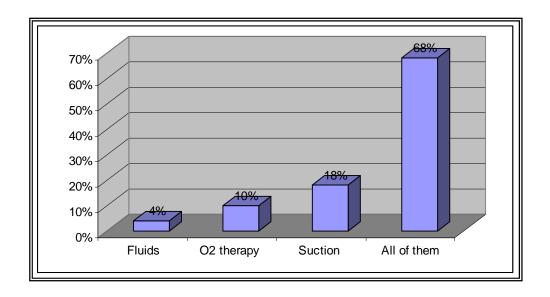


Table No (10) assessment of nurses knowledge about laboratory investigations of pneumonia:

Laboratory investigations of pneumonia	Frequency	Percentage
TWBCs	14	30%
Chest x-ray	10	20%
Sputum culture	0	0%
All of them	25	50%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (10) assessment of nurses knowledge about laboratory investigations of pneumonia:

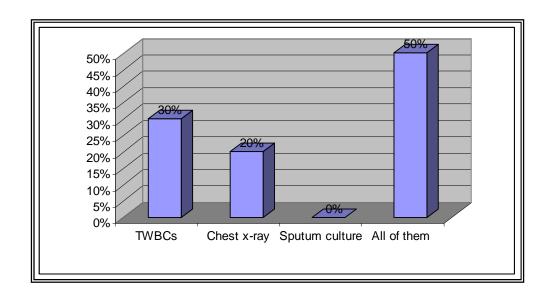


Table No (11) assessment of nurses knowledge about nursing management of pneumonia:

Nursing management of pneumonia	Frequency	Percentage
Good ventilation	5	10%
Cold compression	0	0%
Check V/S	5	10%
All of them	40	80%
Total	50	100%

Fiure No (11) assessment of nurses knowledge about nursing management of pneumonia:

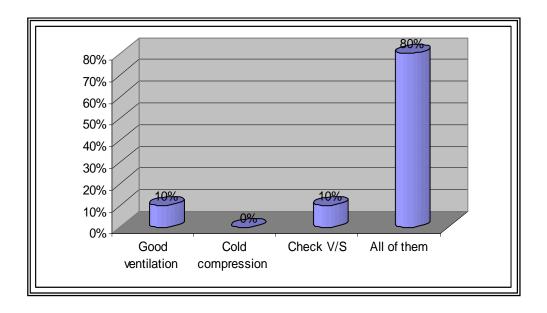


Table No (12) assessment of nurses knowledge about classification of pneumonia according to side of infection:

Classification of pneumonia according to	Frequency	Percentage
side of infection		
Mild	2	4%
Sever	13	26%
Lobal	35	70%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (12) assessment of nurses knowledge about classification of pneumonia according to side of infection:

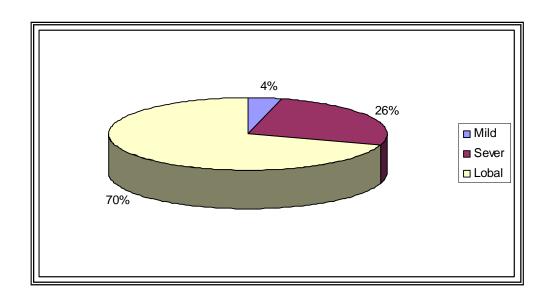


Table No (13) assessment of nurses knowledge about complication of pneumonia:

complication of pneumonia	Frequency	Percentage
Syanousis	8	16%
Convulsion	15	30%
Respiratory failure	27	54%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (13) assessment of nurses knowledge about complication of pneumonia:

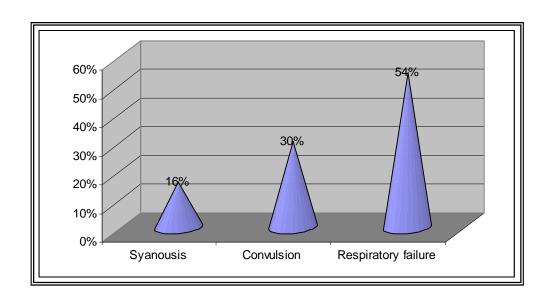


Table No (14) assessment of nurses knowledge about treatment of pneumonia:

Treatment of pneumonia	Frequency	Percentage
Antibiotics	35	70%
Antipyretic	5	10%
Fluids	4	8%
$O_2$ therapy	6	12%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (14) assessment of nurses knowledge about treatment of pneumonia:

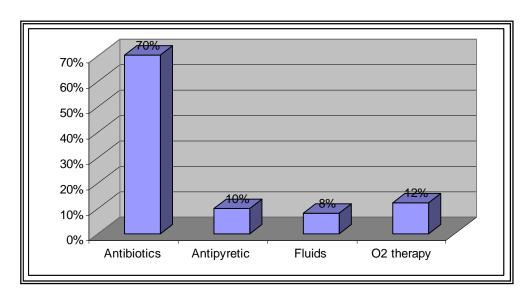


Table No (15) assessment of nurses knowledge about pneumonia fever is:

Pneumonia fever	Frequency	Percentage
High greed fever	50	100%
Low greed fever	0	0%
Normal temperature	0	0%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (15) assessment of nurses knowledge about pneumonia fever is:

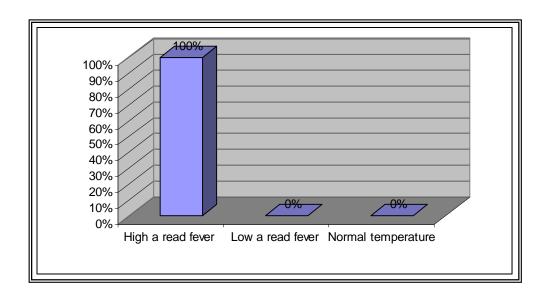


Table No (16) assessment of nurses knowledge about pneumonia common in child age:

Pneumonia common in child age	Frequency	Percentage
Infant	10	20%
Todller	15	30%
School age	25	50%
All age	0	0%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (16) assessment of nurses knowledge about pneumonia common in child age:

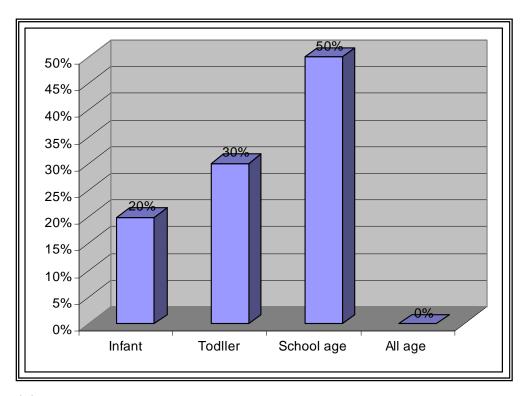
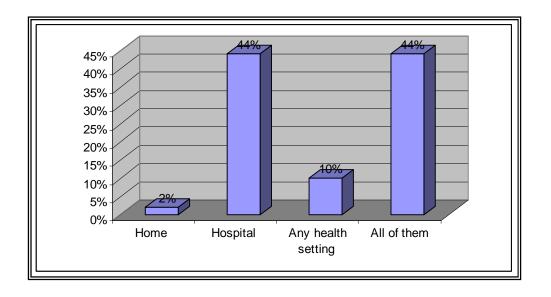


Table No (17) assessment of nurses knowledge about care pneumonia must be a given in:

Care pneumonia must be a given	Frequency	Percentage
Home	1	2%
Hospital	22	44%
Any health setting	5	10%
All of them	22	44%
Total	50	100%

Figure No (17) assessment of nurses knowledge about care pneumonia must be a given in:



#### Discussion

This study is a descriptive analytic based cross sectional study injuries in Elmak Nemer university hospital as so nurses wear included in this study in the period extending from December 2009 to march 2010.

A pre tested and pre coded questionnaire consisting of 17 open and closed ended questions was used it involved so nurses their ages more ranged between 20 - 30 years. Their education levels wear varied the bachloria level (76%) and the diploma (24%) and post graduate level (0%) that means there is increase a mearness about pneumonia with increase educational level figure (1) in this study may show nurses years of experience >2

year (54%) and 2-3 year (20%) and > 4 year (26%) that means common worker in this hospital were experience less than 2 years put more experience per year is low.

This study showed that more than (38%) of nurses working in other word of hospital put in surgical word (20%) ICU (23%) medical word (18%) and pediatric (20%) that means the nurses in pediatric word is little, table (3)

In this study may show common types of upper respiratory infection the nurses knowledge lead pharingites (24%) laryngitis (4%) asthma is pneumonia (54%) in addition to that about tow third of them have little knowledge about upper respiratory infection table or figure (4).

Further more than knowledge about pneumonia viral infection (36%) bacterial infection (46%) other cause (18%)

That means nurses knowledge about cause of pneumonia is little, table (5)

In this study may showed early nursing evaluation of pneumonia patient resulting of chest sound (24%) chest V/S (62%) and check O2 (14%) that means more responsibility in hospital depend on basic nursing V/S, table (6).

In addition the study reveled that types of pneumonia according to causative a gentled to viral (36%) bacteria (52%) hydrcorponic (8%) and lipid (4%) that means nurses knowledge about hydrcorcopnic and lipid pneumonia less becomes this types is uncommon in hospital, table (7)

This study showed causes of hydrcorponic pneumonia lede to (44%) kerosene aspiration (26%) toxicity and (30%) foreign body, table or figure (8)

By asking of management of lipid pneumonia result of knowledge fluids (4%) O2 therapy (10%) suction (18%) and all of them (68%) that means knowledge about lipid pneumonia little assosuated that the management is unknown (suction 18%) table (9).

This study showed that more than (50%) of nursing say all investigation of pneumonia must be make such as TWBc chest x-ray put (28%) showing TWBCs (20%) chest x-ray sputum claer high significant value (0%) table (10)

In this study showing nursing management of pneumonia the nurses asked by good ventilation (10%)

Check V/S (10%) all of them (80%) that means basic management of pneumonia is good in nurses, table (11).

Classification of pneumonia according to site of infection lead to mild (4%) sever (26%) lobal (70%) that means knowledge about site of infection good (70%) table (12)

Complication of pneumonia is very important and lead to prevention and avoidance of problem nurses knowledge syanousis (16%) convulsion (30%) respiratory feluer (54%) that means knowledge of complication less . table (13)

In this study showing treatment of pneumonia antibiotics (70%) antipoetic (10%) fluids (8%) O2 therapy (12%) that means more treatment of pneumonia antibiotics, table (14)

In table (15) show pneumonia fever is high grade fever (100%) that means nurses knowledge good about pneumonia sign and symptom, table (15)

In addition of that pneumonia (on non in child age infant (20%) tollder (30%) school age (50%)

All age (0%) that means nurses knowledge is suitable, table (16)

Finally showing about care pneumonia must be given in home (2%) hospital (44%)any health setting (10%) all of them (44%) that means nurses is good knowledge about care setting

according to seventy of pneumonia put must care in hospital. (44%), table (17).

## Conclusion

Nurses in Elmack Nimer university hospital were little knowledge about pneumonia generally all this results are reflecting a poor knowledge among nurses in Elmack Nimer university hospital

## Recommendation

- 1- Pneumonia is common causes of morbidity and mortality of child in first child hood because that pneumonia must be put in strategic plan for pneumonia evaluation and care.
- 2- Nurses need more training and learning about pneumonia
- 3- In Elmak Nemir hospital they need more responsibility regard nurses experience and shorting staff and exeduale
- 4- Pneumonia need vaccination before prevention

5- Practical skills is main topic for good nursing care and good out come in health cietting

## **Summary**

# Pneumonia: Description:

A viral or bacterial pulmonary infection occurring frequently in infancy and early childhood. It may be a primary disease or be the result of another illness. It may be a primary disease and consolidation of pulmonary parenchyma. It is classified by the causative agent with viral being more common (most often respiratory syncytial virus) the bacterial form is caused most often pnemococcic, streptococci, staphylococci or

Chlamydia, and early spring, Chlamydia is severe diffuse and

often difficult to treat. Staphylococcal often is primary infection

(usually nosocomial in origin ) and streptococcal lobular, less

common is spread via the lymphatic system.

Signs and symptoms:

A) Viral: Acute or insidious onset sight or sever cough, slow to

high grade fever, malaise to lethargy.

Bacterial: Abrupt onset, lethargy, preceded by viral infection,

respiratory

B) Destess, shocky appearance, decreased breath sounds, coarse

crackles friction rub, use of accessory muscles, nasal discharge.

Diagnostic procedures:

A) Viral: CXR reveals diffuse infiltrates

B) Bacterial: CXR shows patchy consolidation of one or more

lobes prematioceles (staph) or pleural effusion (strep)

**Medical interventions:** 

Medications: Antibiotics – antipyretics – infloid

Treatment: Mention patient air way – fever reduction, oxygen,

pulmonary hygiene (CPT. updrafts)

Surgery: Unnecessary

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### Nursing intervention:

Be alert to sign and symptoms of increasing respiratory distress/failure

- Monitor for loss of patient air way
- Assess vital signs hydration status , ABCs comfort level
- Assess effectiveness of antibiotic and antipyretic therapy
- Assess effectiveness of oxygen therapy
- Assist with diagnostic procedures and maintenance of good pulmonary hygiene.

## Nursing care plan: N.D:

Ineffective breathing pattern related to inflammatory process.

#### Goal:

Child will exhibit normal respiratory function.

#### Intervention:

- Allow position for comfort
- Promote rest
- Maintaining patent airway

- Provide high humidity atmosphere
- Implement measures to reduce anxiety
- Organize activities to minimize expenditure of energy.

#### N.D:

Ineffective airway clearance related to increase secretion.

#### Goal:

Child will be maintain patent airway

#### Intervention:

- Suction secretion from airway as needed
- Position to aspirate secretion "semi prone, side lying"
- Assist child to expectorate sputum
- Provide neblization with appropriate solution as prescribed
- Ensure adequate fluid intake
- Assist child to cough effectively

#### N.D:

Fear/ Anxiety related to hospitalization, difficulty breathing

#### Goal:

Child will remain calm.

#### **Intervention:**

- Explain unfamiliar procedures & equipment to the child
- Remain with child during the procedures.
- Hold & cuddle the child whenever possible

- Be aware of child's sleep/ rest cycle
- Provide security devices such as familiar toys & blanket
- In still confidence in both parents & child

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## Shendi University High Faculty of Nursing Post Graduate Level

## Assessment of Nurses Knowledge about Pneumonia

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(1) Qualification:		
a/ Diploma	b/ Bachloria	
c/ Post grand studies		
(2) Years of experience :		
a/< 2 years	b/2-3 years	
c/>3 years		
(3) Where are you working no	ow?	
a/ Surgical word	b/ ICU	

c/ Pediatric	d/ Medical word e/ Other	
(4) Common types of upper res	piratory infection?	
a/ Pharingites	b/ Laregites	
c/ Asthema	d/ Pneumonia	
(5) What is the pneumonia?	_	
a/ Viral infection	b/ Bacterial infection	
c/ Others		
(6) What is early nursing evaluation	ation of pneumonia patient?	
a/ Chest sound	b/ Check V/S	
c/ Check O2 saturation		
(7) What is the types of pneumo	onia according to causes?	
a/ Viral	b/ Bacterial	
c/ Hydro carbonic	d/ Lipid	
(8) Causes of hydrocarbonic pn	eumonia?	
a/ Kerosene Aspiration	b/ Toxicity	
c/ Foreign body		
(9) Management of lipid pneum	onia?	
a/ Fluids	b/ O <sub>2</sub> therapy	
c/ Suction	d/ All of them	
(10) Laboratory investigation of pneumonia?		
a/ TWBCs	b/ Chest X-ray	
c/ Sputum culture	d/ All of them	
(11) Nursing management of pneumonia patient:		
a/ Good ventilation	b/ Cold compression	
c/ Check V/S	d/ All of them	
(12) Classification of pneumonia a cording to side of infection:		
a/ Mild	b/ Sever	
c/ Lobar		

(13) The complication of pneum	nonia is:
a/ Cyanosis	b/ Convulsion
c/ Respiratory failure	
(14) Types of pneumonia treatr	ment:
a/ Antibiotic	b/antipyretics
c/ Fluids	d/ O <sub>2</sub> therapy
(15) In pneumonia patient fever	r is :
a/ High great fever	b/ Low great fever
c/ Normal temperature	_
(16) Pneumonia common is chi	ld age:
a/ Infant	b/ Toddler
c/ School age	d/ All age
(17) Care of pneumonia must	be given in:
a/ Home	b/ Hospital
c/ Any health setting	d/ All of them