

**THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HUSBAND'S KNOWLEDGE OF
FAMILY PLANNING AND THE INCIDE OF UNMET NEED FOR FAMILY
PLANNING AMONG COUPLES OF REPRODUCTIVE AGE
IN DAYEUHLUHUR VILLAGE CIAMIS REGENCY
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ABSTRACT

Husband's knowledge is one of the important aspects that plays a role in supporting an understanding of the benefits of contraception and joint decision making regarding contraceptive use with their partners. Limited knowledge may be one of the factors associated with unmet needs for family planning. This study aimed to determine the relationship between husband's knowledge of family planning and the incidence of unmet need for family planning among couples of reproductive age in Dayeuhluhur village, Ciamis regency in 2026. This study employed quantitative analytical survey with a cross-sectional design. The sample consisted 78 husbands of couples of reproductive age selected using simple random sampling. Data were collected using questionnaires measuring knowledge of family planning and the incidence of unmet need. The relationship between variables was analyzed using the Chi-square test. The result showed that 34,6% of respondents had good knowledge, 30,8% had moderate knowledge and 34,6% had poor knowledge. Overall, 51,3% of respondents experienced unmet need. The Chi-square test showed a significant relationship between husband's knowledge of family planning and the incidence of unmet need, with $p\text{-value} < 0,001$. Husband's knowledge is an important aspect to consider in fulfilling family planning needs. Improving education and involving husbands in family planning counseling may support joint decision making regarding contracteptive use.

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