

Parent's perspectives: Educational problems associated with Children who have Cystic Fibrosis.

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Abstract

This research aims to identify what parents think of the educational services put in place for their children who have Cystic Fibrosis. The research that has been done previously in this area shows that there is a lack of adequate services in school for children who have Cystic Fibrosis

This research aims to show how parents feel that the educational services in place in Ireland today. The research also aims to look for themes through each of the participant's experiences and opinions, to create a detailed account on why parents think the services for their children are unacceptable and how the services could change to help them in the future.

Introduction

The researcher will use qualitative research to conduct the study. This will allow the researcher to get more in-depth answers from the participants of the study. The researcher has chosen qualitative because the data that needs to be collected must be detailed. The researcher will gather the information from people with experience in the area.

The researcher will then compare this to the previous research and get similarities



Method

The researcher chose qualitative research because it provided the opportunity of gathering in-depth information about parent's views on Cystic Fibrosis and the problems in school.

The researcher gathered the information from seven participants using semi-structured interviews. This way the researcher could retrieve detailed answers for the study. They were informed of the ethical guidelines of the research and their discretion towards whether or not they wanted information used. The interviews were recorded and transcribed by the researcher after and the information was then gathered using this method.

Results

The main aim of this research was to discover what parent's opinions were of the educational services for their child. Many themes appeared throughout this research which showed that the overall opinion on the services were negative. All parents seen room for improvement in the area of educational support for their child with Cystic Fibrosis.

Discussion

The aim of this research was to identify the problems associated with children who have Cystic Fibrosis and their education. The interviews showed that the services provided for children who have Cystic Fibrosis were not adequate and further attention needed to be paid towards this problem in Irish society. The lack of knowledge about the difficulties students with the illness face has left them with services that do not fulfill their needs. Such limitations on the study, like the small number of participants made the research small and limited. The overall opinion is impossible to gather because of this but the opinions that were given provided comprehensive insight.

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