

PERCEPTIONS ABOUT SPECTACLE USE AMONG ORANG ASLI POPULATION IN KUANTAN, PAHANG: A GROUNDED THEORY ANALYSIS

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ABSTRACT

Aims: To investigate the perceptions of Orang Asli adults in Kuantan, Pahang about spectacle use.

Methodology: Twenty-two participants were interviewed among Orang Asli population in Kuantan, using semi-structured in-depth interview method. The interview covered the demographic parameters, perceptions, beliefs, behaviors and practices on the use of spectacles.

Result: The findings provide a general insight about Orang Asli's perception of spectacle use which were divided into 3 categories: the current belief of Orang Asli about spectacle use, the reason of spectacle use and the benefit of spectacle use.

Conclusion: The study result suggest that some population of Orang Asli are still lacking of knowledge and have misconceptions about spectacle use.

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