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A survey on the Relationship between Quality of life and Religious coping in family caregivers of children with physical disabilities under covering of welfare organization in Ilam 2013

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Abstract:

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Background: It is obvious that the first encounter with the impairment and different kinds of disability happens in the family environment. Regarding this the reaction of the family members and their adaptability and coping with the impairment in the present of the disability children with physical disabilities will be a determining factor for their level quality of life. Hence, this is study tries to evaluate the quality of life and religious coping among the family caregivers of children suffering from physical disabilities.

Methodology: In this correlative descriptive study all the families having a child suffering from mobility impairment in the Ilam city district were addressed as the statistical population of the study. The researcher after going to these families’ doorsteps and chose 121 family members who were considered to be the main caregivers of the children with physical disabilities. After obtaining the written consent of the main caregivers and acquiring demographic data about the sample, we gave them two questionnaires namely Quality of Life Questionnaire WHOQOL-BREEF and Religious Coping Questionnaire to fill out. The obtained data was classified by SPSS 16 software application and then we analyzed the data using Variance Analysis, Linear Regression, Pearson’s Correlation Coefficient and T-test.

Findings: This study shows that there is a significant relationship between quality of life and negative Religious coping (P=0.001).

Conclusions: Regarding the study results we can say that in the challenging encounter resulted from children’s impairment, positive Religious coping can help improve the quality of life by creating a meaningful hoping sense. Hence, creating the foundations of religious improvement in the families seems very much necessary.

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