

CUIDADORES DE NIÑOS HOSPITALIZADOS CON CÁNCER: EL JUGAR COMO AYUDA EN LA RELACIÓN: CUIDADOR-NIÑO.

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The cancer affects millions of children and require hospitalization due to intensive treatment. The routine changes when the child is in a hospital, being interrupted the most common activities of life and the development of this child, and the family begins to live according to the treatment. In fighting this disease, the family becomes a source of support, this solidarity makes the recovery of the patient becomes more effective. The play in this process helps the child to interact with the social environment, works in relief of fears and anxieties, which expresses feelings of more spontaneous way. The objective of this work was to understand the relationship between the caregiver and children hospitalized for treatment of cancer and investigating how the game helps this relationship. The research was approved by the Research Ethics Committee of the Hospital of Santa Casa from Franca. Eight carers participated in the survey, and most mothers, the children were aged between one and ten years. The caregivers were interviewed through a semi-structured script designed specifically for this research. The data collection was in two hospitals in the city of Franca, Santa Casa and the Cancer Hospital. The methodology used for data analysis was quantitative and interpretative and the results showed the importance of taking care of family accompany the process of hospitalization and treatment, offering support and security for the child. The caregiver agrees that for the routine hospital and to strengthen child-caregiver relationship is necessary to play, and they classified this as a facilitator of this difficult time living. The playful was used by caregivers to assist in treatment, facilitate the process of hospitalization and play a role near the child's daily routine. We conclude that playing helps in the acceptance, approach and facilitates the process of the caregiver, who is hospitalized with a child.