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## PREVALENCE AND PREDICTORS OF DROOLING IN CHILDREN WITH CEREBRAL PALSY (0-14 YEARS)

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**Title:** “Prevalence and Predictors of Drooling in Children with Cerebral Palsy (0-14 years)”

**Aim of the study:** To find out the prevalence and predictors of drooling among children (0-14) with Cerebral Palsy in Bangladesh.

**Methodology:** This is a quantitative type of cross sectional survey study where 206 samples were assigned purposively from CRP, Savar (Paediatric Department), CRP, Mirpur (Clinical Department of SLT), William & Marie Taylor School, Savar & Tauri Foundation. Self-report questionnaire and the drooling modified questionnaire was used for the study. Data was analyzed by using descriptive statistical analysis (SPSS= Statistical Package for the Social Sciences) method.

**Result:** The majority of the participants 59% of children with cerebral palsy had drooling problem and among them 12% had severe drooling problem.

**Conclusion:** Drooling is a common problem among cerebral palsy child. Researcher explored the prevalence of drooling among children with cerebral palsy. In this study,

among the 206 participants more of the participants 60% (123) were male and 40% (83) were female. The result showed that the highest number of participants 60% were in the age range 0-3 years. Drooling was confirmed as a problem for 59% of the selected population aging from 0- to 14-year-old children. The prevalence rate of severe drooling is 12% among the children with CP. So, TBI patients are vulnerable for presence of swallowing difficulties. Drooling can be much more severe in magnitude for children with CP according to the researcher.

### **5.1 Limitation**

This is the first study on prevalence of drooling among cerebral palsy child in Bangladesh. So, there were some situation limitations and barriers while considering the results of the study in different aspects. Those are as follows:

- The investigator only questioned a small number of subjects (206) that was very small to generalize the result.
- This study was only conducted among pediatric patient in CRP, William and Marie Taylor School, Savar and Tauri Foundation, Mohammadpur. So, the data cannot be generalized to the practice of documentation by all Speech & Language Therapist in Bangladesh.
- Time and resources were limited that have a great deal of impact of the study.

### **5.2 Recommendation**

By conducting the study, investigator found that majority of the patients had medium aspects of service. Moreover, this was the first ever study of prevalence & predictors of drooling among cerebral palsy child in Bangladesh. Continued and regular study in this area should play an essential part in improving quality of life of cerebral palsy child. Recommendation for other researcher as follows:

- The researcher selected only 206 participants to conduct the whole study. It was a small number of participants to conduct a survey to find out the prevalence of drooling. So, the further study can be conducted with a range and large population.
- This study can be conducted in different places.

- Further investigation is required on the incidence of drooling problem in adults with CP & Down syndrome. Prevalence of drooling among head injury, Parkinson's disease and stroke patients.

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