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Thesis Title	Perception Of Sample Of Iraqi Mothers Regarding Milestones Development of Childr
	Less Than Tow years Of Age.
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Abstract	<b>Background:</b> Milestone" is a descriptive term used to denote a specific level of achievement
	(e.g. sitting without support) of the child at a particular stage. Increased knowledge of the
	developmental stages and milestones for infants and young children enhances a parent's abil
	to foster realistic, age-appropriate expectations for behavior and has important implications to
	how parents can support their child's development with positive interactions, using
	developmentally-appropriate discipline practices, and providing cognitively stimulating
	environments.
	Aim of the study: To assess the mother knowledge regarding child developmental milestones
	Subjects and method: A cross sectional study conducted in (6) primary health care centers (3
	Alkarkh and (3) in Alrasafa. Data was collected by using a specially designed questionnaire
	form which was adapted from (developmental checklists birth to five) adapted and revised
	(2012) by the mid-state Early Childhood Direction Center, Syracuse university. The study
	extended for a period from 1st of July 2015 to the end of June 2016and the sample size was 4
	Data were analyzed by using IBM-SPSS version 22; qui square test was used to find out
	significance of association between the mothers knowledge results in each domain with each
	socio-demographic variables. P.value ( $\leq$ 0.05) regarded as statistical significance.
	Results: the main age group for mothers was between (20-29) years old (40.5%), (70%) of the
	mothers were not employee, the illiterate mothers were (30.25%), the mothers with parity (<
	is the dominant and the urban mothers represent 84% of the studied group andregarding the
	source of mothers information (71.5%) of the respondents depended on their experience.
	<b>Conclusion:</b> There was a significant association between knowledge of mothers regarding
	developmental milestones and certain variables like age, educational level, parity and employment.