

ABSTRACT

TRI POPNIS MAHARANI WAHID, NRP. 21.02.024. *Social Relationships of Persons with Physical Disabilities at the Wirajaya Center in Makassar City. Supervised by RINI HARTINI RINDA ANDAYANI and SILVIA FATMAH NURUSSHOBAH*

This study aims to explore the dynamics of social relationships among persons with physical disabilities at the Wirajaya Center in Makassar City. The main issues include the characteristics of individuals with disabilities, the types of social relationships they form, and the supporting and inhibiting factors in their social interactions within the center. The background of this study is based on the importance of healthy social relationships as an integral part of the social rehabilitation process, particularly for individuals with physical impairments. This research employs a descriptive qualitative approach, with collection techniques including in-depth interviews, direct observation, and documentation. Informants consist of two persons with physical disabilities, two other beneficiaries who have social interactions with them, and one social worker serving as a companion. The results of the study reveal three main types of social relationships: interpersonal, group, and intergroup. Interpersonal relationships are built through daily interactions, casual conversations, and the active involvement of social workers. Identified obstacles include subtle discrimination, peer mockery, and unequal treatment. The study recommends strengthening inclusive education, providing empathy training for center residents, and optimizing the role of social workers in fostering fair and empowering social interactions. This research is expected to provide practical contributions to the development of social services that are more adaptive and responsive to the needs of persons with physical disabilities.

Keywords: Social Relationships, Physical Disabilities, Sentra Wirajaya

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TRI POPNIS MAHARANI WAHID, NRP. 21.02.024. Relasi Sosial Penyandang Disabilitas Fisik di Sentra Wirajaya Kota Makassar. Dibimbing oleh RINI HARTINI RINDA ANDAYANI dan SILVIA FATMAH NURUSSHOBAH

Penelitian ini bertujuan mengeksplorasi dinamika relasi sosial penyandang disabilitas fisik di Sentra Wirajaya Kota Makassar. Permasalahan utama mencakup karakteristik penyandang disabilitas, bentuk relasi sosial yang terbentuk, serta faktor pendukung dan penghambat dalam proses interaksi sosial di lingkungan Sentra. Latar belakang penelitian ini berangkat dari pentingnya relasi sosial yang sehat dalam proses rehabilitasi sosial, khususnya bagi individu dengan hambatan fisik. Pendekatan yang digunakan adalah kualitatif deskriptif dengan teknik pengumpulan data melalui wawancara mendalam, observasi langsung, dan dokumentasi. Informan terdiri dari dua penyandang disabilitas fisik, dua penerima manfaat lain yang memiliki relasi sosial dengan mereka, serta satu pekerja sosial sebagai pendamping. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan tiga bentuk utama relasi sosial, yaitu interpersonal, kelompok, dan antarkelompok. Relasi interpersonal terjalin dalam interaksi sehari-hari, percakapan santai, dan berbagi pengalaman emosional. Relasi kelompok dan antarkelompok muncul melalui pelatihan keterampilan, program edukasi, dan interaksi lintas kluster. Faktor pendukung mencakup lingkungan inklusif, dukungan teman sebaya, serta keterlibatan aktif pekerja sosial. Hambatan yang diidentifikasi meliputi diskriminasi terselubung, ejekan antar sesama, serta ketimpangan perlakuan. Rekomendasi penelitian mencakup penguatan edukasi inklusif, pelatihan empati bagi penghuni Sentra, serta optimalisasi peran pekerja sosial dalam menciptakan interaksi sosial yang adil dan memberdayakan. Penelitian ini diharapkan memberikan kontribusi praktis bagi pengembangan layanan sosial yang lebih adaptif dan responsif terhadap kebutuhan penyandang disabilitas fisik.

Kata kunci: Relasi Sosial, Disabilitas Fisik, Sentra Wirajaya