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## NICHD based child friendly investigation interview 2007 version for police investigator during child interrogation news making process

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Testimony of sexual violence victims while under police investigation can be an important early statement in the beginning of the search for evidence in filing criminal proceedings. Cognitive development of children who are not yet mature and psychological distress in children who allegedly suffered sexual violence lead to difficulties in the process of police investigation. Therefore, an effective investigation interview technique is necessary but empathetic to victims of sexual assault of a minor can be created. The purpose of this study is to test the effectiveness of child-friendly interview-based investigation training of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) 2007 version, in improving empathic interview skills of police investigator in investigation in children under the age of 4-13 years of age who was sexually assaulted. Police investigator (Sat Criminal Unit PPA) was chosen as research subject. The study design was a posttest-only design with non-equivalent groups. Measurement (post-test) was performed on two groups: The experimental group and control group by using observation check-list. Statistical analysis Mann-Whitney U indicated that police investigators who experienced the emphatic empathic investigation interview skills training (child-friendly interview NICHD-based version 2007) showed higher skills (mean=8) than police investigators who did not attend the training (mean=3) with p=0.008 (p<0.05). This indicates that the training program is effective in improving skills in conducting empathetic police investigator interviewing skills towards child victims of sexual violence.

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