ABSTRACT

The MSM (Men who have Sex with Men) is a minority in heterosexual society. The young MSM community always close their identity in the society because they need self actuality as homosexual in the heterosexual society. This will have an impact on their lack of information and knowledge about reproductive health. The purpose of this study was to analyze the process of socialization among young MSM and its effects on adolescent reproductive health, which includes socialization in the family, at school (college), in the MSM community and the general public. This research used qualitative methods with a phenomenological approach. Data collected through indepth interviews to the youth MSM aged 17-23 years in Jember Regency. Based on the results of research indicated that most of the MSM is difficult to communicate and interact socially in the family, school (college) and in the society. It caused they were not being themself. When they did socialization in heterosexual society, they would follow the norms and rules that exist in society. But when they did socialization in MSM community. Because MSM always got isolated from society, they make community in order to receive emotional support and getting acceptance (cohesive) from society. But this condition can not solve their isolated feelings. It caused the difficult problems getting proper information about reproductive health. So It maked them in high risk from infection of Sexual Transmited Diseases and HIV/AIDS.

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