INTRODUCTION

This poster focuses on the perspectives that caregivers with a chronic illness share about parenting and how it has affected their parenting style.

**Chronically ill** - a situation whereby a person is unable to commit to regular daily tasks and is affected negatively by this illness daily (due to pain, intellectual disability, etc.)

- individual also must be affected by this illness for more than 6 months.

COVERAGE

- Articles were found by searching words “chronically ill parents,” “ill/disabled parents,” “chronic illness,” and “parenting styles.”
- All articles were peer reviewed and sourced from Google Scholar.

METHODOLOGY

- This literature review consisted of an analysis of relevant studies pertaining to chronically ill caregivers’ perspectives on parenting.

- The research question was defined:
  - “Chronically ill caregivers’ perspectives on parenting.”

- The scope of the research question was decided.

- The database for collecting the research was decided:
  - Google Scholar.

- Research was then conducted and the literature was selected.

- The literature was then analyzed and reviewed.

SIGNIFICANCE

The importance behind this research includes:

- Identifying struggles of chronically ill caregivers
- Identifying helpful resources to utilize
- Equipping professionals with efficient coping strategies
- Updating parental interventions

RESULTS

- Children raised by caregivers with disability appear to be at disproportionately higher risk for overall poorer outcomes.
- Children raised by caregivers with disability were more likely to be in fair/poor health, overweight/obese, need medical/educational services, have lower grades, and higher rates of school absenteeism, compared to children of caregivers without disability.
- Using a support program promoted changed in attitudes and approaches towards parents with intellectual disabilities.

CONCLUSIONS

- Based off of these results, professionals are able to identify and implement programs and initiatives that lower the risk for children in these situations.

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