ABSTRACT

This study aims to understand the influence of interpersonal communication on the self-disclosure of Telkom University students who are victims of sexual violence. Using a qualitative approach with a phenomenological method, data were obtained through in-depth interviews with four female students and one expert informant. The findings indicate that empathetic, non-judgmental, and safe communication encourages victims' self-disclosure. Factors influencing this process include trust, environmental responses, and the ability to manage social uncertainty. The main barriers involve psychological trauma, social stigma, and limited campus support. These findings highlight the importance of a supportive campus environment and communication that is sensitive to victims.

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