

ABSTRACT

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SYMBOLIC INTERACTION IN BUILDING INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION FRIEND SUPPORT IN THE SANDWICH GENERATION.

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The sandwich generation is a generation where someone feels they are in a position between two generations which is analogous to a sandwich. This condition makes them have important roles and responsibilities towards their families, both physical and mental burdens. It is not uncommon for them to experience emotional pressure which can trigger stress and hinder their lives. The purpose of this research is to determine the concepts of mind, self, and society in building peer-supported interpersonal communication in the sandwich generation. This research uses qualitative descriptive methods and data generated from interviews. The theories used in this research are symbolic interaction theory and Maslow's hierarchy of needs theory. Based on the results of symbolic interaction theory research on the mind, the sandwich generation feels entertainment and information exchange when interacting with friends. Self, the sandwich generation wants to show that their existence is known through recognition or feeling appreciated as well as the existence of obstacles such as different cultures, thoughts and no free time. Community, good support from supporting informants for the sandwich generation. Each sandwich generation has its own considerations and ways of meeting their needs. Such as informative support, appreciation support and emotional support.

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