

## ABSTRACT

### A Comparison of Immunization Knowledge, Attitude and Practice Among Parents and Guardians in Two Health Districts in The Parish of Clarendon.

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One hundred and fifty nine parents and guardians from the May Pen West and Chapelton health districts in Clarendon were interviewed between March and April 1994 to compare their knowledge, attitude and practice on immunization. The data were collected through the administration of questionnaires.

Both parents and guardians had similar knowledge on immunization in both health districts. However, in the Chapelton District there were more highly educated respondents. Their attitude toward immunization was high and parents and guardians saw immunization as being very important to them. The practice of taking their immunization card to the clinic on each visit was given high priority because of the Governments

legislation that children would not be admitted to school without being fully immunized. This study reaffirms the importance of health education on immunization to the public, not only in the health centres but to make the information available on the media and in literature.