

Abstract

The present study examined how Filipino domestic helpers' and mothers' parenting style influenced children's compliance and social competence. Sixty-three Kindergarten 3 children's Filipino domestic helpers and mothers participated. Both Filipino domestic helpers and mothers rated their own parenting style (warmth and control) and children's compliance and social competence. Result indicated that both of their warmth was strongly correlated with children's social competence, while neither of their control correlated with either children's compliance or social competence. Mothers' warmth was the stronger unique predictor to children's social competence. Filipino domestic helpers' warmth was a moderate, but also significant, predictor to children's social competence. Suggestions were made on how to choose suitable nonparental caregivers according to the result in the discussion part.