Opinions of Mothers of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder Towards Special Education Support and Services

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ABSTRACT Providing necessary support and services to children with autism spectrum disorder is very important for their development. Recently, family involvement in special education services is being emphasized. Therefore, it is important to learn about the opinions of families of children with autism spectrum disorder towards special education support and services, and this study aims to investigate the opinions of mothers of children with autism spectrum disorder towards special education support and services. This is a qualitative study, and a semi-structured interview method was used in order to collect the data. According to the results, mothers indicated that special education support and services are not sufficient for their children and families. The results were discussed in detail with reference to previous literature. Finally, implications and recommendations for further research were also provided in order to improve the quality of education policies, programs and practices for mothers of children with autism spectrum disorder.