**Table 1 Demographic characteristics of study participants (N = 704)**

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| **Characteristic** | **N = 702***1* |
| Parent’s age (years) |  |
| < 25 | 13 (1.9%) |
| > 45 | 47 (6.7%) |
| 25–35 | 375 (53%) |
| 36–45 | 267 (38%) |
| Parent’s sex |  |
| Female | 549 (78%) |
| Male | 153 (22%) |
| Parent’s education level |  |
| Postgraduate | 175 (25%) |
| Primary | 35 (5.0%) |
| Secondary | 380 (54%) |
| Undergraduate | 112 (16%) |
| Employment status |  |
| Employed | 95 (14%) |
| Not employed | 501 (71%) |
| Self employed | 106 (15%) |
| Family type |  |
| Extended family | 146 (21%) |
| Nuclear family | 371 (53%) |
| Single parent family | 185 (26%) |
| Your average household income per month (BDT) |  |
| High (greater than 50000 BDT) | 139 (20%) |
| Low (less than 30000 BDT) | 160 (23%) |
| Middle (less than 50000 BDT) | 403 (57%) |
| Child’s sex |  |
| Female | 378 (54%) |
| Male | 324 (46%) |
| Child’s age (years) |  |
| < 5 | 37 (5.3%) |
| > 10 | 313 (45%) |
| 5–9 | 352 (50%) |
| Number of children |  |
| >= 3 | 104 (15%) |
| 1 | 175 (25%) |
| 2 | 423 (60%) |
| Who is the leading child caregiver at home? |  |
| Father | 54 (7.7%) |
| Grandmother | 16 (2.3%) |
| Mother | 627 (89%) |
| Others | 5 (0.7%) |
| Are grandparents at home involved in treatment decisions when your child is ill? |  |
| Always | 34 (4.8%) |
| Never | 457 (65%) |
| Often | 54 (7.7%) |
| Sometimes | 157 (22%) |
| *1*n (%) | |