

SUNANTA JERAKUL : STATE AND PROBLEMS OF THE OPERATION OF HEALTH EDUCATION IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL EDUCATION, BANGKOK METROPOLIS. THESIS ADVISOR: ASSO.PROF.DR. RAJANEE QUANBOONCHAN. P. H. D. CO-ADVISOR : ASSO. PROF. PACHARA KANCHANARAN. 216 PP. ISBN 974-582-765-7

The purposes of this study were to investigate the state and problems of the operation of health education in secondary schools in the Bangkok Metropolis. Population included three groups of staff members who were responsible for the operation of health education in each school. They were categorized as one deputy director of buildings and grounds, one school health teacher, and one health education department head or health education teacher. The total population of this study was 312. The researcher developed a questionnaire and undertook data collection by herself. A part of the questionnaire was also sent by mail. A total of a returned questionnaire was 93.27 percent. The researcher analyzed the data with the calculation of percentages, means and standard deviations. Research findings were listed as follows :

1. Problems on the operation of health education in schools of all sizes concerning the management of school health environment were : ground area being too small, not enough playground for students, inadequate light in the classroom and disturbing noises within the school. For school health service, problems were lack of health records for students, lack of dental health service, and lack of hearing test. For health education teaching, problems were lack of activities to develop students' health behaviors, and lack of supervision.

2. Problem on the operation of health education in schools of all sizes, were found to be at the "Moderate" level, when each size was considered. It was found that the large and middle size schools had problems on all services at the "Moderate" level on two services, namely, the management of school health environment and the management of health education teaching. The third service, namely, the management of school health service was found to have problem at the "low" level.