

Thesis Title : A STUDY OF OPERATIONAL SITUATIONS OF HEALTH EDUCATION
IN THE COMMUNITY HOSPITALS OF KHON KAEN PROVINCE

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ABSTRACT

The purposes of the study were (1) to survey the current practices and problems in carrying on health education of the community hospitals in Khon Kaen Province 1) planning 2) health education 3) organizing personnel 4) co-ordinating 5) managing environment for facilitating health education 6) health service 7) supervising, following-up, evaluating (2) to compare the current practices and problems in carrying on health education in 10 beds, 30 beds and 60 beds size of hospitals and (3) to determine the opinions and suggestions in developing health education task of the community hospital personnel. The sampling groups included 269 medical doctors, nurses and other workers 125, 84 and 60 subjects from the 10 beds, 30 beds, and 60 beds size of hospitals respectively. The developed questionnaire was employed and 238 copies (88.47%) of questionnaire were returned. The earned data were analyzed by using SPSS/PC⁺ computer program to find frequency, percentage, arithmetic mean (\bar{x}) standard deviations (S.D.) and F-test.

The results :

1) Current situations

As a whole, every size of the community hospitals carried on health education work at the "moderate" level in all aspects. However, the 10 beds size of community hospitals carried on the works concerning supervision, follow-up and evaluation at "little" level, while the 30 beds and 60 beds size of hospital carried on such works at the "moderate" level.

In comparison, as a whole and considering by items it was found that the 60 beds size of hospitals carried on coordinated, supervised, follow-up and evaluate health education "more than" the 10 beds size of hospitals with the .05 significance level.

2) Problems

The community hospitals had problems in carrying on health education work, at the "moderate" level in all aspects, except on health service that the three sizes hospitals had at "little" level.

As a whole, there was no difference in health education practices among the three sizes hospitals at the .05 significance level.

3) All hospitals should be interested in planning, supervising, following-up, evaluating, health service, co-ordinating, and organizing personnel in order that carry on health education, health education, managing environment for facilitating health education work effectively.