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WANPEN ASAWASILAPAKUL : THE EFFECT OF GROUP RATIONAL-EMOTIVE THERAPY ON INCREASING SELF - EFFICACY OF THE AMPUTEE. THESIS

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The purpose of this research was to study the effect of group rational emotive therapy on increasing self-efficacy of the amputee. The hypotheses were that (1) the posttest scores on the general self - efficacy and the specific self - efficacy of the experimental group would be higher than the posttest scores of the control group. (2) the posttest scores on the general self-efficacy and the specific self-efficacy of the experimental group would be higher than its pretest scores. The research design was the pretest-posttest control group design. The sample was 16 amputees who were in the rehabilitation and vocational training stage at the Industrial Rehabilitation Center randomly selected from the amputees who scored 0.5 standard deviation below the mean on the general self-efficacy and the specific self-efficacy. They were randomly assigned to an experimental group, and a control group, each group comprising 8 amputees. The experimental group participated in a group rational-emotive therapy program conducted by the researcher, for two hours twice a week over a period of 5 weeks altogether for approximately 20 hours. The instrument used in this study were the General Self-efficacy developed from the Sherer et al.'s General Self-efficacy and the Specific Self-efficacy developed by the researcher. The t-test was utilized for data analysis.

The results indicated that :

(1) The posttest scores on the general self-efficacy and the specific self-efficacy of the experimental group are higher than the posttest scores of the control group at .01 level of significance.

(2) The posttest scores on the general self-efficacy and the specific self-efficacy of the experimental group are higher than its pretest scores at .01 level of significance.

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