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The purpose of this research was to study the relationships between perception of AIDS, supporting factors and AIDS prevention of professional nurses in the community hospitals, the Northern Region of Thailand. The sample were 204 professional nurses who selected by multi-stage simple random technic from 17 provinces. The research questionnaire had been validated and tested for internal consistency. The reliability of the questionnaire was .72 The four of following results were found.

1. The perception about AIDS of sample in the aspects of perceived susceptibility and perceived benefit were reported at the high level. However, the aspect of perceived severity of AIDS was reported at the middle level.

2. For the supporting factors, the sample had reported the existing of the facilities at the high level. While, the policies and trainings were reported at the middle level.

3. In regard to the AIDS prevention practice according to the universal precautions, the professional nurses had reported at the low level.

4. The analysis of the relationships between the related variables with the AIDS prevention according to the universal precautions were performed. The results had indicated that there were no statistically significant correlation at the .01 level.