Abstract

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The objectives of this research are: 1. To explain the potential and community involvement in health care management. 2. To analyze factors which have impacts on community health management .3 To propose strategies for sustainable community health management which are correlated with the community – based health service system at every level of government's health service management. This is a qualitative research. The methodology is comprised of: information collection from document review, in-depth interview, group discussion with interview guide, content analysis through sample selection from 4 provinces representing each region: Nakornsawan, Lopburi, Nakornpanom, and Nakorn Si Thammarat. The collecting period is between October 2011- March 2012.

It is found that factors which have impacts on community health management are: 1. On the context and community health management perspective: Process including community involvement and health planning: Effective communication: Activities implementation: Strong community institution: Budget management: Health behavioral change. 2. On the development of health system perspective: Health service system, health workforce, health information system, health technology, health care financing and health system protection.

The proposed strategies are: 1. To promote standard health service system which could effectively respond to the health problems. 2. To strengthen health alliances. 3. To develop surveillance and warning system including disaster and health threats management. 4. To create national mechanisms to protect and manage health resources. This would strengthen community health system and the overall health service system which would consequently result in social and national security.