PONSAB SAMITISATIEN: EFFECT OF INTERPERSONAL RELATION SKILL TRAIN-ING ON THE BEHAVIOR OF SCHIZOPHRENIC PATIENTS. THESIS ADVISOR: ASSI.PROF. RAVIVAN NIVATAPAN, PUALGSOI VORAKUL (CO-ADVISOR) 111 pp. ISBN 974-579-366-3.

The purpose of this quasi experiment research was to explore the effect of interpersonal relation skill training on the behavior of schizophrenic patients. The purposive sample consisted of 30 schizophrenic patients who were admitted in Somdejchaopraya Hospital. The Samples were divided into two groups, experiment group and control group, by simple random allocation with random numble table. There was 15 patients in each group. The experiment group were trained with interpersonal relation skill and normal group therapy while the control group were trained with only normal group therapy. Both groups received equal times in training.

The behavior was measured by the Assertion Inventory, reliability = 0.87, and the behavioral observation developed by the investigator, content validity seen, reliability = 0.92, and the observer difference = 1.50.

Data collection by behavior detection of the groups, 2 days pior and after training programme. Analyzed the data with SPSSX programme; finding the mean, standard deviation, and T-test.

Conclusion of this research are :

- 1. The schizophrenic patients, trained with interpersonal relation skill have better changes in behavior after the programme significantly. (P = 0.05)
- 2. After the programme, the better changes of the schizophrenic patient behavior in the group trained with interpersonal relation skill are much more than the group trained with normal group therapy by significant. (P = 0.05)