

ABSTRACT

Title of Research Paper : A Study of Child Rearing and Training Methods Performed by Parents' with Aggressive Behavior Children

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This research comprises 2 objectives, i.e., to study child rearing and training methods of the parents with aggressive children, and to study needs to prevent mental health problems among children and youth. The study was done at the Institute of Child and Adolescent Mental Health, Ratchatawi District, Bangkok.

The methods of study are mostly qualitative by using the in-depth interview and observation with secondary data from the patients' record file. Among key-information are 7 aggressive children, 7 parents (father or mother) of the aggressive children and 5 medical staff members. Data collected were analysed with logical context description and statistics.

Results of the study are briefly presented below :

1. Most children are the first born with 1-2 younger siblings, mostly in the age group of 10-12 years old and came from the families with bad relation, conflicts and violent behavior among members both in verbal and actual behavior. However, in their relationship with friends and teachers, they have close friends and good relation with friend, they respect their teachers.

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2. The parents' families of orientation and procreation have the same average age of 39 years, work as hired labor with family income of less than 10,000 baht per month, the family is elementary or nuclear type ; the rearing and training method is permissive with negligence; child punishment is by scolding and/or caning. Though the family has bad relation among members, they still live together, no separation or divorce.

3. The aggressive behavior performed by the children, more than one half by stealing ; about one-half by violent quarrelling, harm one-self and others, it is presumed that these children need challenges and interested from significant - others, particularly, fathers and mothers, deriving from lacking loving care in their rearing and training, in addition to lacking of proper training in social values.

4. Most of the children studied like media and modern technologies, particularly games, computer, followed by TV opera with violent context. No doubt, mass media and technologies are models for children's aggressive and violent behavior.

Among recommendations proposed by the researchers are the family, school, community, government and private agencies should realize the importance of the family institution and participate consciously in preventing and correcting children's aggressive behavior for the better society to live in.