

Abstract

Thesis Title : The Process of the Muslim Elderly Care Service and the Network Development :
A Case Study of “Por-nor-da-lae”

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This research aimed at a study of a body of knowledge concerning the process of the elderly care service of “Por-nor-da-lae” and the network development with the cooperation of local partnership group at the level of community, study areas such as Ban Koowa, Weang sub-district, Ban Juerae, Mae Dong sub-district and Boo Gea Ta Municipality of LoChood district, Weang district, Narathiwat Province. The data was collected mainly from 41 subjects that were senior teachers, the elderly who were the relatives of the elderly in “Por-nor-da-lae”, villagers living in the community where “Por-nor-da-lae” is located, the community leaders, the representatives of Provincial Local Administration Office and the representatives of units that participated in the elderly care service at the level of community. The interview, observation and group discussion were arranged in this study. The result revealed that:

The elderly care service of “Por-nor-da-lae” were classified into 2 processes: firstly, it was a process to take care the elderly living in “Por-nor-da-lae” which consisted of mental development of the elderly and the process of helping the elderly in their daily lives and secondly, it was the process of taking care the elderly in “Por-nor-da-lae” which was conducted by the community.

It has been found that there were 3 methods for the development of “Por-nor-da-lae” network that were 1) the link between the networks in which the hospital was the main center in order to work cooperatively with sub-district network office in which “Por-nor-da-lae” was the

subnet of this office network; 2) the network building between “Por-nor-da-lae” and the external organizations. This would link the three areas into one network and then selected “Por-nor-da-lae” that was the most ready for the operation to be the main network; and 3) The support for the elderly in “Por-nor-da-lae” in which the government unit at the local level was the main center to take responsible.