Thesis Title   Relationship Between Self - concept Anxiety and Maternal Prenatal Attachment in Primigravidas

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Abstract

The purpose of this study was to investigate the relationships between self - concept, anxiety and maternal prenatal attachment in primigravidas. The sample was composed of 100 third trimester normal pregnant women who received or attended prenatal care at Maharaj Nakorn Chiang Mai hospital. The instruments consisted of a demographic data form, the Tennessee Self - Concept Scale, the State - Trait Anxiety Inventory, and the Maternal - Fetal Attachment Scale. Data were analysed by SPSS program using frequency, percentage, arithmetic means, standard deviation, Pearson's product moment correlation coefficient, multiple correlation coefficient and the stepwise multiple regression analysis.

The results of the study revealed that :

1. There was positive relationship between self - concept and maternal - fetal attachment with statistical significance at the level of .01 (r=0.2557, p < .01).

2. There was no relationship between anxiety and maternal fetal attachment (r= -0.0177, p > .05) .

3. Self - concept and anxiety were significant predictors which were accounted for the variance of maternal - fetal attachment at 10.57 percent (t= 2.092) with statistical significance at the level of .001 and .05 respectively.