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The health officers who provided school health programmes were important for effective health implementation, health promotion and health development for students. The study of the role performance of the health officers providing school health programmes in Saraburi Province was one of the strategies for human development planning, This study was a survey research using questionnaires. The data were collected from 152 health officers who were responsible for school health programmes in Saraburi Province, during December 27, 1999 – January 5, 2000. The questionnaires were sent by mail and 100% were returned. The data were analyzed using percentage, arithmetic mean, standard deviation, Chi-square test and Pearson's product moment correlation.

The results of this research showed that the majority of health officers who were responsible for school health programmes in Saraburi Province were female (84.9%) with an average age of 31 years and were married (53.3%). The highest level of experience in School Health of the officers surveyed was 22 years. The highest level of service as a government Health Officer was 22 years. Most were community Health Officers (65.1%) and had not received a Bachelor's degree (57.9%). The majority received salaries more than 10,000 Bath (50.7%). The levels of school health activities were at a high level (50%) and moderate level (50%). The role in administration was at a moderate level (55.9%), the role in health services was at a high level (82.2%) and in health technology was at a high level (57.2%). The motivation and maintenance factors were at a high level (53.3% and 55.9% respectively). The motivation factors and the maintenance factor were significantly related to the role performance (p<0.01, p<0.05 respectively).

The results of this study suggest that the health officers should set up the "School Health Committee" for support school health activities and have contact with the student's parents for cooperate and support in school health services. They should check blood the chemistry of students who are anomie. Health officers should provide school teachers with continuing training for first-aids. Motivation to work successfully with acceptable, responsible and promotion which were the factors to develop more efficient role performance.