

Thesis Title Husbands' Perception of Father's Roles during
Wife's Primigravida at Chulalongkorn Hospital

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ABSTRACT

The objective of this survey research was to study the perception of father's role and factors affecting it in husbands of the primigravida. The population of this study were 147 husbands whose wives came to ante-natal clinic at Chulalongkorn hospital during March 1, 1990-April 30, 1990. The data were collected by using constructed questionnaire for interview. The data were analyzed by using percentage, mean standard deviation, Pearson Product Moment Correlation Coefficient, Analysis of Variance and Multiple Classification Analysis.

The results revealed that the range of the perception score were 31-55 with the mean score of 46.73. The factors affecting husbands' perception the role of father with statistical significant differences were their education ($P = 0.008$), past experience on child care ($P = 0.0020$), the preparation for this pregnancy ($p = 0.000$), attitude toward wife's pregnancy ($p < 0.001$), knowledge on pregnancy ($P < 0.001$) and relationship with their wife ($P < 0.001$). The factors which not affecting were age, occupation, family's income, type of family (nuclear or extended family) and the relationship of their own father and mother.