

The study aimed to find out the relationship between parents' care behavior for preschool age children and their socioeconomic status. The subject were 1392 parents of children under 6 years of age in 10 private schools in Bangkoknoi Region, Bangkok Metropolis. Data were gathered by self-administered questionnaires. The total of 1392 samples was included in this study. Data were analyzed by using percentage and chi-square test.

The results revealed as follow:

1. Parents' care behavior for preschool age children

1.1 Health promotion behavior: 80.0% of preschool children were milk fed, 69.4% slept 8-12 hours during the night, 77.1% brushed their teeth twice a day, 87.9% moved their bowel twice a day. Almost all children spent their time watching television, visiting the zoo, amusement parks and shopping center.

1.2 Disease prevention behavior: 93.0% of children were accordingly immunized to E.P.I. (Expanded Program on Immunization) 73.5% of children received more vaccine than those in E.P.I.; they were hepatitis B vaccine, measles-mump-rubella vaccine and encephalitis vaccine.

