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ABSTRACT

This research is composed of documentary and survey research. The objective is to study the legal problem concerning about the prevention and control of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) today and to study the personnel opinions about the legal measures in prevention and control of AIDS by the questionnaire. A sample of 409 respondents are 313 governmental personnel of Ministry of Public Health, Ministry of University Affair, Bangkok Metropolitan and 96 non-governmental personnel of 22 organizations.

The results of study : The legal measurements dealing with AIDS prevention and control in many statutes of law in Thailand revealed that application of such measurements are unavailable. In order to use these measurements for treating AIDS problems effectively law should be amended and improved. The legal problems concerning AIDS prevention and control are identified as the following : 1) The person who intentional spreads Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) infection should be alleged commit crime of assault and liable for tort. 2) There is no exemption in law provides that the physician should legally procure an abortion to HIV positive pregnant women. 3) In the present statutes of law , there is no any protections to HIV positive person from discrimination. 4) Health care providers on duty related to AIDS patient or infected should be assured by clearly rules and regulations clarify their legal liability.

The survey research about the opinion of the legal measurements in prevention and control of AIDS are studied in 4 aspects. There are management to HIV high risk group , management to AIDS and HIV infected person , right protection in AIDS and HIV infected persons and right protection in Health care providers. The study revealed that both governmental and non - governmental personnels hesitated to agree with almost of the legal measurements except the right protection in AIDS and HIV infected persons , that most of two groups agree with. However, the relationships of governmental and non - governmental opinions had statistically significant difference (P-value < 0.001) in all aspects.

The suggestions are that the social and the personnels should be appropriate prepared before using the legal measurements in prevention and control of AIDS and the forms of the legal measurements should be voluntary forms more than compulsory form.