

Thesis Title

Administrative Roles of Provincial

Health Pharmacists

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Abstract

The objectives of this research were to study the Provincial Health Pharmacists' administrative roles and to compare their personal and work-related factors including sex, age, marriage status, last educational attended institute, tenure, tenure in present position, administrative training, position level, number of personnel, special project participation, and classified location. A total of 71 pharmacists were included in the study by using self-administered questionnaire.

It was found that the level of administrative responsibilities of the Provincial Health Pharmacists was rather high ($\bar{X} = 3.83$, S.D. = 0.73). The comparison of personal and work related factors with the administrative roles showed that sex, age, tenure, tenure in present position, special project participation, classified location and administrative training had no significant difference

among the pharmacists working at the Provincial Health Office, only marriage status, last educational attended institute, position level and number of personnel, were statistically differences ($P = 0.027$, 0.076 , 0.018 and 0.0028 respectively).

It was also found from the study that the main areas of training needs in administration for the Provincial Health Pharmacists were focused on planning, organizing, directing, staffing, budgeting, co-ordinating and reporting respectively.