Thesis Title: THE EFFECT OF CRITICAL THINKING TRAINING ON

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Abstract

The purpose of this experimental research was to study the effect of critical thinking training on the first year nursing student, Boromrajonani college of nursing Nakomratchasima. The subjects were 60 first year nursing students during the 1998 academic year ,Boromrajonani college of nursing Nakomratchasima which were equally assigned into one experimental and one control groups by Stratified Random Sampling. The subjects of the experimental group were trained to think critically by the critical thinking training model according to Ennis's theory. All subjects were tested by critical thinking appraisal before and after the training period. The testing scores were analyzed by using the t-test. The results were as follows:

- 1. The students in the experimental group obtained higher scores for the posttest than those of the control group at .01 significance level.
- 2. The students in the experimental group obtained higher posttest scores than pretest scores at .01 significance level