

Thesis Title                    Cognition Concerning the Effect of Amphetamine of  
the Truck Drivers on Phet-Kasem Road in Amphur  
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#### ABSTRACT

The purpose of this research is to study the impact of amphetamine addiction upon truck drivers with regard to themselves, their families, and socioeconomic respect. In addition, the study propose the way to get truck drivers to understand the impact of amphetamine addiction, to cope with the amphetamine problem, and to publicize information about amphetamine.

The research sample is composed of two groups of truck drivers on Phet-kasem Road in Muang District, Ratchaburi The first group totals two hundred drivers whose urine diagnosis proved amphetamine contaminated. The second numbers one hundred drivers whose urine diagnosis proved the reverse. The researcher used questionnaire to collect data. Percentage, analysis of variance, and Multiple Classification Analysis are used to analyze the data at the 0.05 level of significance.

The findings of the research are as follow:

1. The married truck drivers understand the impact of amphetamine addiction better than their single counterpart

2. The truck drivers who get information about amphetamine from posters on road sides understand the impact of amphetamine addiction upon themselves best.

3. The period of using amphetamine is related to the understanding of the impact of amphetamine addiction upon truck drivers at the level of significance.

4. The truck drivers who get information about amphetamine from public health officials understand the impact of amphetamine addiction upon their families best. Those who get information from newspapers and magazines understand this type of impact worst.

5. The truck drivers who used to be public officials understand the impact of amphetamine addiction upon society best. Those who used to be private employees understand this type of impact worst.

#### **recommendations**

1. The amendment of Psychotropic Substance Act, Traffic Act, and Transportation Act should be made on the basis of consistency so that the amphetamine problem will be dealt with efficiently.

2. The efficiency of diagnosing urine should be increased so that the result of diagnosis could be accepted at court trial.

3. Public agencies should focus on providing truck drivers with information about amphetamine.

4. There should be a substitute for amphetamine, such as diet or beverage prescribed by physicians.