

Thesis Title Knowledge and Opinion of the Police Cadet  
Academy's Commissioned Police Officers  
Regarding Laws Relating to Health Protection  
of Non-Smokers

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#### ABSTRACT

The objectives of this research are

- To study the knowledge and opinions of the police cadet academy's commissioned police officers regarding laws relating to health protection of non-smokers
- To study the relationship between knowledge and opinions of the police cadet academy's commissioned police officers regarding laws relating to health protection of non-smokers
- To study different variables which could affect knowledge and opinions of the police cadet academy's commissioned police officers regarding laws relating to health protection of non-smokers.

The target population was Police Cadet Academy's Commissioned Police Officers. The sample size was 183.

From this research, it was found that the knowledge of the sample group regarding laws relating to health protection of non-smokers was at the medium level.

The relationship between knowledge and opinion of laws relating to health protection of non-smokers is positive and is statistically significant at the level of 0.001

The variables which were studied to determine the relationship between knowledge and opinion regarding laws relating to health protection of non-smokers were marital status, level of education, length of employment, position, age, monthly salary, personal experience of smoking or having a family member who is a smoker.

The above variables had the positive relationship with knowledge of laws relating to health protection of non-smokers and were statistically significant at the level of 0.01

The variables which had a positive relationship with opinions on laws relating to health protection of non-smokers were marital status, level of education, length of employment, position.

The variables which had a negative relationship with opinion on laws relating to health protection of non-smokers were age, monthly salary, personal experience of smoking, and having a family member who is a smoker. and were statistically significant at the level of 0.05

The results of the study suggest that the Police Cadet Academy and the Royal Thai Police Department should inform the public about laws relating to the health protection of non-smokers in a more efficient manner and should provide knowledge to the commissioned police officers to understand about the recent changes in the law that have taken place. Also the Royal Thai Police Department should implement a program to designate non-smoking areas and to inform the police officers to reduce the number of smokers among their ranks and to respect the right to non-smokers to protect their health and environment.