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   Female Sterilization Acceptors in  
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#### ABSTRACT

This study aims at determining the sociodemographic characteristics of female sterilization acceptors who attended A.N.C. clinic in Nakhon Pathom Provincial Hospital. It is known to the respondents that female sterilization is a unique contraceptive method. There are many factors influencing its acceptance. This descriptive study utilizes the secondary data of 1991 collected from the records of Nakhon Pathom Hospital. A total number of 310 cases were drawn by systematic random sampling from 630 and 1,367 users and non users of female sterilization respectively. The results reveal high level of acceptance of female sterilization among urban women, in older age groups, and having more than two children but

education of husband and wife and occupation of wife are not statistically significant. The occupation of the husband is significantly related to the acceptance of female sterilization according to findings of this study.

To promote wider use of sterilization in Nakhon Pathom province among the currently married women in reproductive age, special attention and efforts should be given in the planning and development of population policies.