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Abstract

The purpose of this study was to examine health care behavior and child caring for HIV infected and investigate the ways to remedy themselves and their children when the symptoms deteriorate. This is done by means of the qualitative research method with in-depth interview and non-structured observation into 3-5 years back. The subjects of this study are the HIV infected numbering 12, who have 3-5 year - old children. All of them were diagnosed as HIV infected during their pregnancies and they delivered their children at Chiangmai's Mother and Child Hospital. The study was conducted from January to July 1997. The study found various ways of health care in promoting better health and preventing HIV from taking the advantage or preventing HIV from spreading to other non-carriers. Regarding children's health care, the study found they were fed with mixed milk, received vaccine as prescribed and fed with recommended nutrition. With regards to self and their children's therapy, they turned to folk sector together with professional sector.