THESIS TITLE : THE FOLLOW-UP PERFORMANCE OF COMMUNITY PRIMARY

HEALTH CARE CENTRE IN KHON KAEN PROVINCE

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ABSTRACT

The purposes of this study were (1) to study the performance of the primary health care, (2) to determine the operation problems; and (3) to study the opinions and suggestions towards the primary health care. The sampling groups (264 subjects) included the public health workers, the public health volunteer and village committee members. The developed questionnaire and the survey form were used for collecting data which were then analyzed by SPSS/PC+ program for calculating percentage, means (X), standard deviations (S.D.) and t-test.

Findings

1. In general, the performance of the primary health care was "low". except health education, nutrition promotion, medicine procurement. vaccination, health protection and AIDS control which were performed "much"; and the least performances were mental health service and public dentistry.

There was different opinions between the sampling groups at the .05 level of significance.

- 2. There was "little" problem of the primary health care operation, except the personnel problem that had "much" problem.
- 3. There were "much" benefit in primary health care, especially in:
 - 1) making more health interest among the villagers,
 - 2) making the volunteer more uniting,
- 3) being the centre for distributing knowtedge of public health.
 - 4. The following were some suggestions for more efficiency:
 - there should be 5-6 public health votunteers per group,
 - the public health volunteer should have more knowledge on primary care,
 - there should be 1-3 hours per day for the service time,
 - the centre should be supported by allocating more budget and medical equipment from the Ministry of Public Health, and
 - the people should take part by labouring and material supporting.