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**Configuración de las ocupaciones en un grupo de madres de niños con discapacidad de la ciudad de Punta Arenas, Región de Magallanes y Antártica Chilena: un estudio fenomenológico**

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Investigations demonstrate that mothers of handicapped children present/display decrease of the personal development and that this condition became permanent. The present study still in course, tries to investigate from the perspective of the model of Occupational Adaptation of J. Schkade and S. Schultz in **¿How form or reshape their occupations the women mothers of severe handicapped children?**.

It is a qualitative type study from the phenomenological perspective based on Heidegger.

**Goals** are to know the handicapped children's mother's occupations, its performance perception, and the relations that they establish between this one and the roll of handicapped children `s mother.

Like **Method** they are used: The Participant Observation and the Ethnographic Interview, techniques that allow include/understand the participant's world vision of and its perception respect to the performance in their occupations. The Participant Observation approaches the investigator to the performance contexts and allows observing the occupations that they define as significant in their life.

The interviews look for the significant thing of whatever perceives the effectiveness in their occupational performance and as they relate it to the handicapped children `s mother's roll.

Progressive reduction levels and structuring of the Ethnographic Text are put under for the analysis (Method of Van Maanen).

**Preliminary results** they approach to us to identify the emergency of thematic nuclei until the moment related to: "expectations of occupational roll and relative dominions", "automated inefficiency in the profit of relative dominions", "occupational answers", and "absence of occupational challenges".

From the analysis model, we try **to conclude** as in this group occur the internal processes of occupational configuration and how the acquisition could be promoted with greater evidence of relative dominions described in the model of occupational adaptation, and to favor therefore the processes of personal development to traverse of it recover it of the occupations.

This investigation can **to contribute** to a greater knowledge about the occupations of specific groups related to disabled people with the purpose of generating evidence so that the occupational therapist can indeed give answer to **occupational necessities** of the users.