Self - Reliance of Disabled Persons in Community: Case Study Burapha Village Makcane Rehabilitation Center in Chiang Mai, Thailand

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The objective of this research were study the self - reliance and problem in life style of the disabled persons in a community, The study site was in Burapha Village, Makcane Rehabilitation Center, Chiang Mai, Thailand. The data were collected by the use of observations and interviewing with three disabled people, who were the key informants of this research, They were 3 types of disability, blind, deaf and physically disabled. All collected data were carefully checked. Grouped, analysed and presented descriptively under the conceptual framework of this research.

The research results were as follows.

Three disabled persons have self - reliance and problems in different, depend on person, environment and occupation. They attend to self - reliance, positive thinkinionag, value and acceptance of themselves, want to be independence. They have life style, problem solving, occupation practice, adaptive device to be appropriate for themselves. Community participation to promote life style in self - reliance with self efficiency.

Occupational therapist is the one of the health professional that attend to occupational performance base on person should be functional independence. Therefore, this is necessary for that care and rehabilitation in disabled persons, helpful them in self - reliance with self efficiency.