THE EXPECTATION AND PERCEPTION OF RELATED PERSONS ON THE MENTAL DISORDER PATIENTS' SOCIAL BEHAVIOR

AN ABSTRACT

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This research aimed to examine the gap between expectation and perception levels that mental disorder patients related person on the social behavior of the patients. We analyzed both pro-social behaviors, e.g. cooperation and helping, and anti-social behaviors, e.g. social conflict and aggressive behaviors. 668 samplings consist of 334 patients' relatives and care takers, and 334 individuals including mental disorder health personnel and acquaintances: neighbor, colleagues and school friends. The self rating questionnaires consisting of e.g. bio-social data, expectation and perception of related persons on the mental disorder patients' social behavior questionnaires were used to collect all of the data.

Data were statistically analyzed and show that expectation level on patients' social behavior was higher than the perception levels both pro-social behavior and anti-social behavior. The largest gap was on aggressive behavior. Income affected the expectation on helping behaviors with the significant level 0.05. Age affected the perception on anti-social behavior especially on aggressive behaviors with the significant level 0.05. Occupation affected the perception on helping behavior with the significant level 0.05. The related persons with less than 1 year contact with the patients had more perception on social conflict behavior compared to those with 1-5 year contact with 0.05 significant level.