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AND IT'S RELATED FACTORS UNDER COMMUNITY BASED  
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ABSTRACT

Most disabled children live in rural and remote areas where they lack conditions to improve their living. Many of them die before they come to school age because of the circle of disability and poverty. There is no doubt about the important roles of caregivers in disabled children care.

A cross-sectional descriptive study was conducted to assess the performance of 122 caregivers who had directly participated in the Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR) program and taken care of disabled children. They were randomly collected from 11 communes in Binh Son district where the program has been in place for five years. The factors affecting their performance were also determined. The study was carried out in January 2008. Structured questionnaires were used for collecting data and Chi-square test was used to analyze the relationship between the independent and dependent variables with p-value set at 0.05.

The results of this study showed that the percentage of good performance among caregivers for disabled children under the CBR program was about 49 percent. Sociodemographic factors were not related to caregiver performance. There was a significant relationship between knowledge and attitude of caregivers toward the CBR program and the performance. The motivation factors had a relationship with the performance of respondents, whereas the study did not find a relationship between caregiver performance and the sources of information.

The findings suggest that the performance of caregivers needs to be improved as well as their knowledge and attitude toward the CBR program in order to motivate their confidence and efforts to perform better job.

In order to have an overall picture of both the quality and effectiveness of caregiver work for disabled children, similar research with a larger sample size is suggested. Further study might apply techniques such as real observation and comparison before and after joining the CBR program, and in depth interviews are also recommended

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