## CHAPTER IV



## RESEARCH RESULTS

A cross sectional research aiming at identifying physical activities among Family Health Leaders (FHLs) in Trang province in southern Thailand, and the factors affecting its practice and intensity. Sixteen villages in Huaiyot District of Trang were selected randomly, then quota sampling methods were applied, yielding 400 informants. The informants were interviewed by the researcher between 10 February to 25 March 2004, using the questionnaire developed by the researcher. Statistical analysis using frequency, mean, standard deviation, and Pearson correlation coefficiency were applied.


Results are reported in 7 sections as follow:
Section 1: Socio-demographic characteristics of the informants.
Section 2: FHLs' knowledge about physical activities.
Section 3: FHLs' attitude toward physical activities
Section 4: Enabling factors toward FHLs' physical activities.
Section 5: Reinforcing factors toward FHLs' physical activities
Section 6: FHLs' practice of physical activities
Section 7: Relation between knowledge, attitude, enabling factors, and reinforcing factors and physical activities of FHLs’

## Section 1: Socio-demography characteristics of the informants.

The majority of the informants are female (79\%), married (78.5\%), age between 31-35 (37\%), with 6 years of education (65.75\%), and income level between 2,8015,000 baht (54.5\%), Table 1 .

Table 1: Number, and percentage of FHLs' socio-demographic characteristics ( $\mathrm{N}=400$ ).

| Socio-demographic characteristics | No. | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  |  |
| Male | 84 | 21.0 |
| Female | 316 | 79.0 |
| Male: Female = 1:4 |  |  |
| Age |  |  |
| 15-20 | 10 | 2.5 |
| 21-25 | 42 | 10.5 |
| 26-30 | 128 | 32.0 |
| 31-35 | 148 | 37.0 |
| $36+$ จุพาลงกรถูมหา | 72 | 18.0 |
| Mean $=40.56, \mathrm{SD}=10.35$, Median $=40.50$, Minimum $=16$, Maximum $=69$ |  |  |
| Education |  |  |
| Less than 6 years | 4 | 1.0 |
| Primary education (6 years) | 263 | 65.7 |
| Secondary education (12 years) | 76 | 19.0 |
| Vocational diploma | 28 | 7.0 |
| Bachelor degree | 26 | 6.5 |
| Occupation |  |  |
| Agriculture | 290 | 72.8 |
| Small business | 25 | 6.2 |
| General employee | 59 | 14.8 |
| Housewife | 11 | 2.7 |

Table 1: (Cont.) Number, and percentage of FHLs' socio-demographic characteristics ( $\mathrm{N}=400$ ).

| Socio-demographic characteristics | No. | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Government or State enterprise employees | 13 | 3.2 |
| Income (in baht) |  |  |
| Less than 1,800 | 5 | 1.2 |
| $1,801-2,800$ | 35 | 8.7 |
| $2,801-5,000$ | 218 | 54.5 |
| 5,001 and above | 142 | 35.5 |
| Mean = 5,288, SD =3,486.75, Median = 4,500, Minimum $=1,000$, Maximum $=25,000$ |  |  |
| Marital status |  |  |
| Single | 52 | 13.0 |
| Married | 314 | 78.5 |
| Widow | 2 | 8.0 |
| Divorce/Separate | 2 | 0.5 |

## Section 2: FHLs' knowledge about physical activities.

The study found that the level of knowledge regarding physical activities and exercise of FHLs in Huaiyot District is score at 79.7\%. The majority of them (77.2\%) reported that exercise minimizes risk factors causing chronic diseases. Their respond to the questionnaire also showed that the majority of them (89.5\%) are aware that physical activities does not limit to merely a structured and formal patterns, but also include any daily physical movement. They reported that the following house chore or daily activities can be classified as exercise: house cleaning for 45-60 minutes is low intensity exercise, $79.5 \%$; raking grasses for 30 minutes is low intensity activity, $75.9 \%$; accumulating mileage for either walking or jogging for 150 minutes per week for 25 weeks in 6-7 months, $64.7 \%$; and jump rope for 15 minutes is heavy activity,
$64.2 \%$. The lowest percentage of the respondents (21.5\%) reported bicycling for 8 kilometers for 30 minutes is low intensity exercise. Details are in Table 2, and Table 3

Table 2: Number and percentage of FHLs who answered the questions about knowledge correctly ( $\mathrm{n}=400$ ).

| Questions | No. | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Some physical activities could reduce the risk of being chronic | 309 | 77.2 |
| 2. Physical activities do not always mean exercise | 358 | 89.5 |
| 3. People should accumulate both walking and jogging activities of a total of 15 km per week for 25 weeks for 6-7 months | 216 | 54.1 |
| 4. People should accumulate 100 minutes of walking and 50 minutes of running for a total of 150 minutes per week for 25 weeks for 6 7 months | 259 | 64.7 |
| 5. Jogging 2.4 km in 15 minutes is a high intensity exercise in a short period of time | 257 | 64.2 |
| 6. Walking up a stairway for 15 minutes is a high intensity exercise in a short period of time | 205 | 51.2 |
| 7. Running for 2.4 kilometer in 15 minutes is a high intensity exercise in a short period of time | 208 | 52.0 |
| 8. Riding a bicycle for 6.4 kilometer in 15 minutes is a high intensity exercise in a short period of time | 191 | 47.7 |
| 9. Cleaning the car for 45-60 minute is a low intensity exercise | 278 | 69.5 |
| 10. Cleaning the house for 45-60 minute is a low intensity exercise | 319 | 79.7 |
| 11. Gardening and working with the ground for $30-45$ minute are low intensity exercises | 197 | 49.2 |
| 12. Dancing for 30 minutes is a low intensity exercise | 192 | 48.2 |
| 13. Cutting grass with a harrow and scoop for 30 minutes is a low intensity exercise | 303 | 75.9 |
| 14. Riding a bicycle for 8 kilometer in 30 minutes is a low intensity exercise | 86 | 21.5 |

Table 3: Level of the knowledge of Physical Activity of FHLs.

| Level of the knowledge | No. | \% |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Excellent | 27 | 6.7 |
| Good | 134 | 33.5 |
| Average | 158 | 39.5 |
| Fair/satisfactory | 58 | 14.5 |
| Poor | 23 | 5.75 |

## Section 3: FHLs' attitude toward physical activities

The study found that the majority of the study volunteers have positive attitude toward exercise and daily physical activity with an overall score of attitude at 2.69 , an average. Almost all of the FHLs in the study, $97.9 \%$, have positive attitude toward exercise; with $66.4 \%$ strongly agreed and $31.5 \%$ agreed with the statement. They also believe that physical activity helps prevent chronic diseases, $94.6 \%$, with $49.5 \%$ strongly believe so, and $43.9 \%$ believe so. Most of the respondents ( $95.1 \%$ ) were confident that with proper advise from experts they are able to do proper exercise, $51.3 \%$ believe that they can do very well, and $42.6 \%$ believe that they can do well, with only $0.5 \%$ not being confident.

When presented with negative questions, the majority of the informant (75.4\%) reported that they did not believe that they could not do daily exercise: $59.5 \%$ believe that they can do daily exercise, and $15.2 \%$ strongly believe so. Only $19 \%$ of the study volunteers believe that they would have difficulty doing daily exercise. When asked if they believe that it is not difficult to adhere to daily exercise, $60.1 \%$ disagree, $11.5 \%$ strongly disagree, a total of $61.5 \%$, which means that they believe that daily exercise is not difficult to adhere to.

It came as a surprise to the researcher, though that most of the respondents (89.6\%) did not believe in modeling of good example, only $2.7 \%$ stated that they disagree that good example has impact on others' exercise behavior. Most of them ( $97.3 \%$ ) either strongly agree, agree, or unsure with the statement, $33.5 \%, 56.1 \%$, and $7.2 \%$, respectively. The majority of them also voiced their opinion that even if with the readiness of exercise equipment, they are not able to commit to continuous exercise, 38.1 \% strongly disagree, $50.1 \%$ disagree, and $7.2 \%$ unsure. These findings are negative forces against the campaign for regular exercise among FHLs in Huaiyot district.

Table 4: Percentage and mean score. $(n=400)$

| Attitude | Percentage |  |  |  |  | Mean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Strongly agree (5) | Agree <br> (4) | Uncerta in (3) | Disagree <br> (2) | Strongly disagree <br> (1) |  |
| Positive Attitude |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Physical activities is a good activity. | $66.4$ | $31.5$ | $2.0$ | 0 | 0 | 4.64 |
| 2. Family leaders do physical activity is a good thing. | 43.3 | 49.5 | 3.7 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 4.34 |
| 3. Diseases can be prevented by physical activities | 54.8 | 39.8 | 2.2 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 4.46 |
| 4. I believe that with good advice I can exercise correctly. | 47.9 | 47.2 | 3.0 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 4.41 |
| 5. Seeing a role model in exercise encourages me to exercise. | 42.6 | 51.3 | 4.3 | 1.5 | 0.5 | 4.34 |

Table 5: Percentage and mean score. $(\mathrm{n}=400)$

| Negative Attitude | Percentage |  |  |  |  | Mean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Strongly agree <br> (1) | Agree <br> (2) | Uncertain <br> (3) | Disagree <br> (4) | Strongly <br> Disagree <br> (5) |  |
| 1. I do not believe that I can exercise daily. | 8.2 | 9.7 | 6.7 | 59.5 | 15.2 | 3.64 |
| 2. I believe that it is difficult to exercise daily. | 7.5 | 11.5 | 9.2 | 60.1 | 11.5 | 3.57 |
| 3. I do not believe that someone exercising everyday can influence others. | 33.5 | $56.1$ | $7.2$ | 20 | 0.7 | 1.80 |
| 4. Even having exercise equipment, I can not exercise regularly. | 38.1 | $50.1$ | $8.0$ | 3.2 | 0.5 | 1.78 |

## Section 4: Enabling factors to physical activities reported by FHLs

The study found that there is sufficient home-based equipment readily available in the homes or the community of FHLs, Table 6 . When asked about the presence of home-based exercise equipment, most of the respondents (96.0\%) reported having housing cleaning equipment, followed by gardening equipment (93.7\%), and car washing equipment, while only $30.7 \%$ reported having jumping rope, and $31.5 \%$ reported that their housing structure allowing them to walk up and down. In the community, $63 \%$ of FHLs reported that there is sports facility nearby, and $17 \%$ has a park where they can do physical fitness activities. A small number of the respondents,
$18.7 \%$, also reported that exercise equipment is available in retail stores in the community.

When asked about how FHLs divide their time for different activities in one day, $65.9 \%$ reported spending less than 8 hours at work, and $34.0 \%$ normally spend more than 8 hours each day at work. As for house chore, $36.6 \%$ reported spending less than one hour, and $63.3 \%$ more than 1 hour. Time for hobby was reported at less than one hour at $57.3 \%$, and more than one hour for $42.6 \%$, Table 7 .

The respondent reported that the top two sources of information about physical activities for them is from TV and radio, 71.0\%, and from Health Officers, 54.0\%. They reported that the community broadcast is their least important source of information on physical activities, Table 8. About one-third of FHLs in this study, $36.5 \%$, reported that they obtain knowledge about physical activity everyday, 20.3\% reported getting such knowledge once a month, while the smallest number of the research participants ( $2.7 \%$ ) reported getting the knowledge once every two weeks, Table 9.

Table 6: Number and percentage of enabling factors reported by FHLs ( $\mathrm{n}=400$ )

| Enabling factors for physical exercise |  | No. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Having equipment for physical activities at home |  |  |
| 1. Equipment for house cleaning |  |  |
| 2. Gardening equipment | 384 | 96.0 |
| 3. Equipment for car wash | 375 | 93.7 |
| 4. Landscaping equipment | 319 | 80.2 |
| 5. Social Dancing gear | 274 | 68.5 |
| 6. A bicycle | 187 | 63.5 |
| 7. Sports equipment | 158 | 39.7 |
| 8. Houses with different levels | 126 | 31.5 |
| 9. Jump rope |  | 30.7 |
| Equipment for physical activities in the community | 252 | 63.0 |
| 1. Sports facilities | 75 | 18.7 |
| 2. Stores in the community with sports equipment | 68 | 17.0 |
| 3. Fitness park |  |  |

Table 7: Number of hours for different activity in each day

|  | No. | \% |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| At work | 246 | 65.9 |
| $\quad$ Less than 8 hours per day | 127 | 34.0 |
| More than 8 hours per day |  |  |
| At home | 129 | 36.6 |
| $\quad$ One hour | 223 | 63.3 |
| $\quad$ More than one hour | 144 | 57.3 |
| Hobbies | 107 | 42.6 |
| $\quad$ One hour |  |  |
| More than one hour |  |  |

Table 8: Source of information about physical activities

| Category | No. | \% |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | TV/radio | 284 | 71.0 |
| 2. | Health care persons | 216 | 54.0 |
| 3. | Village Health Volunteers | 182 | 45.5 |
| 4. | Training | 145 | 36.2 |
| 5. | Physical fitness campaign | 143 | 35.7 |
| 6. | Exercise with a group of friends | 139 | 34.7 |
| 7. | Neighbor or relatives | 138 | 34.5 |
| 8. | Printed matter such as newspaper, poster | 107 | 26.7 |
| 9. | Community broadcasting system | 65 | 17.2 |

Table 9: Frequency of knowledge obtained

| Frequency of knowledge obtained |  | No. | \% |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Everyday | 144 | 36.5 |
| 2. | Once a month | 80 | 20.3 |
| 3. | 2 time/week | 58 | 14.7 |
| 4. | Once a week | 50 | 12.6 |
| 5. | Less than once a month | 37 | 9.3 |
| 6. | Once every three weeks | 14 | 3.5 |
| 7. | Once every two weeks | 11 | 2.7 |

## Section 5: Reinforcing factors on physical activity of FHLs.

The results of this study showed that the top three reinforcing factors on FHLs exercise behavior is the influences form family members, friends for neighbors, and their community. They reported family member encouraging FHLs to exercise, 87.5\%, following by influence form the neighbor, $74.7 \%$, and finally if the community has policy to encourage physical activity, $74.0 \%$. These sources of reinforcing factors must
be used when designing a campaign to improve physical activities in the community. The least important reinforcing factor as reported by the FHLs is being an organizer of a community physical activity, $14.2 \%$, Table 10 .

Table 10: Reinforcing factors on physical activity of FHLs (n=400).

| Factors | No. | \% |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1. There is some support from your family members to do exercise. | 350 | 87.5 |  |
| 2. Your neighbors suggested that you take part in an exercise club. | 299 | 74.7 |  |
| 3. There are policies in your community to support exercising. | 296 | 74.0 |  |
| 4. You get some recommendations about doing exercise when you | 288 | 72.0 |  |
| examine your health. | 283 | 70.5 |  |
| 5. Your friends often talk to you about exercising. | 274 | 68.5 |  |
| 6. You usually acknowledge most of the physical activities in your | 273 | 68.2 |  |
| community. | 272 | 68.0 |  |
| 7. Your neighbors persuaded you to work like a team to exercise. | 205 | 51.2 |  |
| 8. At least three days a week some members of your family do |  |  |  |
| exercise. <br> 9. When you attend meetings about activities held in the community, | 27 | 14.2 |  |
| the group leader comes up with interesting topics. |  |  |  |
| 10. You have been chosen as a referee for a sports competition. | 57 |  |  |

## Section 6: Practice of physical activities among FHLs ( $\mathrm{n}=400$ ).

The respondents were asked to rate 16 physical activities according to their regular practice, Table 11. Results showed the most popular activities among the respondents is house cleaning, $91.0 \%$. The second most popular was reported being walking about 2.8 k.m., $84.3 \%$. The popular type of exercise was reported as swimming, 4.2\%.

While it seems that the respondents are doing a certain degree of physical activity it was found that intensity and regularity of the physical activity is less then optimum. House cleaning, for example, was reported as the most popular type exercise but almost half of the respondents ( $44.2 \%$ ) reported doing the activity irregularly, with varying amount of time spending doing the activity. Only $31.6 \%$ of the respondents reported doing the house chore $45-60$ minutes per day for three days a week, $11.5 \%$ reported spending the same amount of time doing the chore less than three days per week, and $12.3 \%$ reported the same activity less then 45 minutes, three days per week.

Walking for $2.8 \mathrm{k} . \mathrm{m}$., the second most popular type of exercise, on the other hand, was reported doing at a more regular and appropriate intensity. A large number of respondents ( $89.0 \%$ ) reported being able to doing up to 35 minutes per day, three days week.

Table 11: Physical activities of FHLs in Huaiyot district, Trang province ( $\mathrm{n}=400$ ).

| Physical activity |  |  |  | No. | $\mathbf{\%}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Cleaning the car | 133 | $\mathbf{3 3 . 2}$ |  |  |  |
| 45-60 minutes every day/3 day/week* | 21 | 15.7 |  |  |  |
| < 45 minutes each time | 17 | 12.7 |  |  |  |
| < 3 days a week | 14 | 10.5 |  |  |  |
| Inconsistently | 81 | 60.9 |  |  |  |
| 2. Cleaning the house | $\mathbf{3 6 4}$ | $\mathbf{9 1 . 0}$ |  |  |  |
| 45-60 minutes every day/3 day/week* | 116 | 31.8 |  |  |  |
| <45 minutes each time | 45 | 12.3 |  |  |  |
| < 3 days a week | 42 | 11.5 |  |  |  |
| Inconsistently | 161 | 44.2 |  |  |  |


| Physical activity | No. | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3. Playing volleyball | 46 | 11.5 |
| 45 minutes every day/3 day/week* | 2 | 4.3 |
| $<45$ minutes each time | 2 | 4.3 |
| $<3$ days a week | 8 | 17.3 |
| Inconsistently | 34 | 73.9 |
| 4. Gardening | 324 | 81.0 |
| 30-45 minutes every day / 3 day/week* | 112 | 34.5 |
| $<30$ minutes each time | 32 | 9.8 |
| < 3 days a week | 20 | 6.1 |
| Inconsistently | 160 | 49.3 |
| 5. Walking about 2.8 kilometer* | 337 | 84.3 |
| 35 minutes every day/ 3 day/week | 300 | 89.0 |
| $<35$ minutes each time | 3 | 0.8 |
| $<3$ days a week | 5 | 1.4 |
| Inconsistently | 29 | 8.6 |
| 6. Playing basketball* | 20 | 5.0 |
| 30 minutes every day/3day/week ณัมหาวทยาลย | 1 | 5.0 |
| < 30 minutes each time | 6 | 30.0 |
| $<3$ days a week | 5 | 25.0 |
| Inconsistently | 8 | 40.0 |
| 7. Riding a bicycle about 8 kilometers | 51 | 12.7 |
| 30 minutes every day/3 day/week* | 12 | 23.5 |
| $<30$ minutes each time | 6 | 11.7 |
| $<3$ days a week | 5 | 9.8 |
| Inconsistently | 28 | 54.9 |

Table 11: (Cont.) Physical activities of FHLs in Huaiyot district, Trang province ( $\mathrm{n}=400$ ).

| Physical activity | No. | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8. Dancing | 110 | 27.5 |
| 30 minutes every day/3 day/week* | 29 | 26.3 |
| $<30$ minutes each time | 11 | 10.0 |
| $<3$ days a week | 9 | 8.1 |
| Inconsistently | 61 | 55.4 |
| 9. Cutting the grass by | 332 | 83.0 |
| 30 minutes every day/3 day/ week* | 77 | 23.1 |
| $<30$ minutes each time | 32 | 9.6 |
| $<3$ days a week | 27 | 8.1 |
| Inconsistently | 196 | 59.0 |
| 10. Walking about 3.2 kilometers | 209 | 52.3 |
| 30 minutes every day / 3 day/week* | 99 | 47.3 |
| $<30$ minutes each time | 17 | 8.1 |
| $<3$ days a week | 10 | 4.7 |
| Inconsistently की (3) | 83 | 39.7 |
| 11. Swimming | 17 | 4.2 |
| 20 minutes every day/3 day/week*ณัมหาวิทยาลัย | 1 | 5.8 |
| $<20$ minutes each time | 2 | 11.7 |
| $<3$ days a week | 2 | 11.7 |
| Inconsistently | 12 | 70.5 |
| 12. Riding a bicycle for about 6.4 kilometer* | 30 | 7.5 |
| 15 minutes every day/3 day/week | 4 | 13.3 |
| $<15$ minutes each time | 6 | 20.0 |
| $<3$ days a week | 5 | 16.6 |
| Inconsistently | 15 | 50.0 |
| 13. Jumping rope | 54 | 13.5 |
| 15 minutes every day/3 day/week* | 9 | 16.6 |
| $<15$ minutes each time | 5 | 9.2 |
| $<3$ days a week | 8 | 14.8 |
| Inconsistently | 32 | 59.2 |

Table 11: (Cont.) Physical activities of FHLs in Huaiyot district, Trang province ( $\mathrm{n}=400$ ).

| Physical activity | No. | $\mathbf{\%}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 14. Running for about 2.4 kilometer* | $\mathbf{7 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 . 5}$ |
| 15 minutes every day/ 3 day/week | 13 | 17.5 |
| <15 minutes each time | 6 | 8.1 |
| < 3 days a week | 9 | 12.1 |
| Inconsistently | 46 | 62.1 |
| 15. Walking up and down stairs* | $\mathbf{1 3 1}$ | $\mathbf{3 2 . 7}$ |
| 15 minutes every day/3 day/week | 43 | 32.8 |
| <15 minutes each time | 29 | 22.1 |
| <3 days a week | 4 | 3.0 |
| Inconsistently | 55 | 41.9 |
| 16. Doing aerobics | $\mathbf{1 4 4}$ | $\mathbf{3 6 . 0}$ |
| 30 minutes every day/3 day/week* | 55 | 38.1 |
| <30 minutes each time | 6 | 4.1 |
| <3 days a week | 4 | 2.7 |
| Inconsistently | 79 | 54.8 |

* Desirable behavior

The study found that the physical activity of the majority of volunteers is either at excellent level or good level. People who are in excellent level reported doing physical activity three times, or more, per week, and each time between 15 to 60 minutes. The popular activity was walking for 2.8 k.m. for one hour ( $75 \%$ ), followed by house cleaning (29\%). The least favorite activity was swimming ( $0.2 \%$ ). People who are classified in the "good" group reported doing exercise with the same frequency with the excellent group, but with less then 15 minutes each time they do. The preferred activities were house cleaning ( $11.2 \%$ ). Followed by gardening and raking the lawn (8\%). The least favorite activity was volleyball ( $0.5 \%$ ). Moderate level of exercise
to physical activity at less than 3 times per week, and between 15-60 minutes each time. Popular activity in this category is house cleaning (10.5\%), followed by raking the lawn (6.7\%). The least favorable activity is swimming ( $0.5 \%$ ).

The study volunteers who were classified as the lowest level of physical activity exercise less than 3 time per week, and each time less than 15 minutes. Raking the lawn appeared to be their favorite physical activity (49\%), followed by house cleaning (40.2\%). The least favorable activity was reported to be basketball playing ( $2.0 \%$ ). The activities that they reported not doing at all were swimming ( $95.7 \%$ ), basketball playing (95\%), bicycling for $6.4 \mathrm{k} . \mathrm{m}$. ( $92.5 \%$ ), volleyball ( $88.5 \%$ ), and bicycling for $8 \mathrm{k} . \mathrm{m}$. (Table 12)

Of the 16 activities proposed to the volunteers by the researchers, the volunteers reported only one activity at excellent level, walking for 2.8 k.m. Most of the respondents reported low level of practice, or even non-practice to some of the activities such as swimming and volleyball, making the overall score of practicing all 16 activities very low. FHLs who are classified at medium practice were only $8 \%$. The rest of the group were classified as low level (92\%) (Table 13). This issue will be discussed in detail in Chapter 5.

## Table 12: Number of activity



Table 13: Level of the Practice of Physical Activity of FHLs.

| Level of Physical Activity | No. | \% | mean |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Excellent | (Points $=40-48)$ | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Good | (Points $=30-39)$ | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Satisfactory | (Points $=16-29)$ | 32 | 8.0 | 20.0 |
| Develop | $($ Points $=0-15)$ | 368 | 92.0 | 6.2 |

The 400 respondents were asked to volunteer for physical fitness evaluation. One hundred and seventeen respondents, $29.2 \%$, participated in the physical fitness evaluation, 14 male and 103 female. Most of the volunteer ( 65 individuals) age between 36 and 40 years old, 3 being between 15-20, 7 being 21-25, 8 being between 26-30, 34 being 31.35. Results showed that the majority of the respondents have excellent body weight (39.3\%), lung capacity (49.5\%), and forward flexibility (54.7\%); at good level were blood pressure (91.4\%), and resting pulse ( $60.6 \%$ ); at average level were backward flexibility (64.1\%), leg flexibility (25.6\%), and hand grip (39.3\%); at poor level were fat percentage (58.9\%), and resting pulse (34.18\%), Table 14.

Table 14: Physical Fitness Evaluations of FHLs ( $\mathrm{n}=117$ ).

| Physical fitness | Level |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Excellent | Good | Average | Poor | Very poor |
| 1. | Body weight | 39.3 | 11.9 | 12.8 | 17.9 | 17.9 |
| 2. | Percentages of body fat | - | 13.0 | 5.1 | 12.8 | 58.9 |
| 3. | Resting heart rate | 5.1 | 60.6 | - | - | 34.1 |
| 4. | Blood pressure | - | 91.4 | - | 6.8 | 1.7 |
| 5. | Lung capacity | 49.5 | 19.3 | 26.4 | 2.5 | 1.7 |
| 6. | Grip strength | 1.7 | - | 39.3 | 37.6 | 21.3 |
| 7. | Back strength | 2.5 | 5.1 | 64.1 | 2.05 | 7.6 |
| 8. | Leg Strength | 2.5 | 1.7 | 57.2 | 25.6 | 12.8 |
| 9. | Flexibility | 54.7 | 14.5 | 17.9 | 7.6 | 5.1 |
| 10. Cardiovascular | 9.4 | 15.3 | 61.5 | 10.2 | 3.4 |  |
| $\quad$ endurance/aerobic capacity |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Section 7: Relation between knowledge, attitude and practice about physical activities as reported by the volunteers.

This section explain the analysis of the relation different the practice of physical activities as reported by the study volunteers. In general, there is no statistically significant result between the variable. House cleaning, the most popular type of physical activity as reported by the FHLs, and knowledge and attitude, both positive and negative, the study found no significant relation ( $p$-value $>0.05$ ), Table 15. This finding showed once again that knowledge does not predispose behavior.

Table 15: Relationship between knowledge and attitude about house cleaning. ( $\mathrm{n}=400$ ).

| Variables | , | Behavior | , | Chi-square P-value |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Correct | Correct but irregular | Total |  |  |
| Knowledge |  |  |  | 3.586 | . 465 |
| Very poor | 87 (95.6) | 4 (4.4) | 91 (100.0) |  |  |
| Poor | 87 (89.7) | 10 (10.3) | 97 (100.0) |  |  |
| Average | 58 (89.2) | 7 (10.8) | 65 (100.0) |  |  |
| Good | 114 (91.2) | 11 (8.8) | 125 (100.0) |  |  |
| Excellent | 18 (85.7) | 3 (14.3) | 21 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 364 (91.2) | 35 (8.8) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Positive Attitude |  |  |  | 2.586 | . 460 |
| Disagree | 1 (100.0) | 0 (0.0) | 1 (100.0) |  |  |
| Uncertain | 7 (77.8) | 2 (2.2) | 9 (100.0) |  |  |
| Agree | 183 (90.6) | 19 (9.4) | 202 (100.0) |  |  |
| Strongly agree | 172 (92.5) | 14 (7.5) | 186 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 363 (91.2) | 35 (8.8) | 398 (100.0) |  |  |
| Negative attitude |  |  |  | 3.467 | . 325 |
| Strongly agree | 15 (100.0) | 0. (0.0) | 15 (100.0) |  |  |
| Agree | 61 (88.4) | 8 (11.6) | 69 (100.0) |  |  |
| Unsure | 256 (90.8) | 26 (9.2) | 282 (100.0) |  |  |
| Disagree | 31 (96.9) | 1 (3.1) | 32 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 363 (91.2) | 35 (8.8) | 398 (100.0) |  |  |

When consider the relation between enabling factors about house cleaning and knowledge and attitude, both positive and negative, and the actual house cleaning behavior the result showed a significant relation ( $\mathrm{P}<0.05$ ). However, when consider other enabling factors such as time spent at work, at home, and for hobby, and availability of exercise equipment, source of information such as health officers, village health volunteer, there is no significant relation between these factors and house cleaning ( $>0.05$ ), Table 16.

Table 16: Relation between enabling factors and reinforcing factors on physical examination: house cleaning.

| Variables |  | Behavior |  | Chi-square P-value |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Correct | Correct but irregular | Total |  |  |
| Enable factors |  | 厚 |  | 10.524 | . 001 |
| House cleaning equipment |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 353 (92.2) | 30 (7.8) | 383 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 11 (68.8) | 5 (31.2) | 16 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 364 (91.2) | 35 (8.8) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Availability of house clea the community | aning equip | ment in the re | tail shops in | . 069 | . 793 |
| Yes | 69 (8.8) | 6 (8.0) | 75 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 295 (91.0) | 29 (9.0) | 324 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 364 (91.2) | 35 (8.8) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Time spent at work |  |  |  | . 445 | . 505 |
| Less than 8 hours per day | 225 (91.8) | 20 (8.2) | 245 (100.0) |  |  |
| More than 8 hours per day | 114 (90.0) | 13 (10.2) | 127 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 339 (91.1) | 33 (8.9) | 372 (100.0) |  |  |

Table 16: (Cont.) Relation between enabling factors and reinforcing factors on physical examination: house cleaning.

| Variables | Behavior |  |  | Chi-square | P-value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Correct | Correct but irregular | Total |  |  |
| Time spent on house work |  |  |  | 2.718 | . 099 |
| Less than 1 hours per day | 123 (96.1) | 5 (3.9) | 128 (100.0) |  |  |
| More than 1 hours per day | 204 (91.5) | 19 (8.5) | 223 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 327 (93.2) | 24 (6.8) | 351 (100.0) |  |  |
| Time spent on bobby |  |  |  | . 261 | . 609 |
| Less than 1 hours per day | 131 (91.6) | 12 (8.4) | 143 (100.0) |  |  |
| More than 1 hours per day | 96 (89.7) | 11 (10.3) | 107 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 227 (90.8) | 23 (9.2) | 250 (100.0) |  |  |
| Source of information | - |  |  |  |  |
| TV viewing |  |  | $v$ | . 665 | . 415 |
| Yes | 107 (93.0) | 8 (7.0) | 115 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 257 (90.5) | 27(9.5) | 284 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 364 (91.2) | 35 (8.8) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| From Health officers | 28 | - | - | 1.965 | . 161 |
| Yes | 163 (89.1) | 20 (10.9) | 183 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 201 (93.1) | 15 (6.9) | 216 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 364 (91.2) | 35 (8.8) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| From village Health Volun | nteers |  |  | . 118 | . 732 |
| Yes | 197 (90.8) | 20 (9.2) | 217 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 167 (91.8) | 15 (8.2) | 182 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 364 (91.2) | 35 (8.8) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Frequency of receiving kn | owledge |  |  | 4.764 | . 029 |
| Daily | 123 (85.4) | 21 (14.6) | 144 (100.0) |  |  |
| Once a month | 76 (95.0) | 4 (5.0) | 80 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 199 (88.8) | 25 (11.2) | 244 (100.0) |  |  |

Table 16: (Cont.) Relation between enabling factors and reinforcing factors on physical examination: house cleaning.


Walking for 2.8 kilometer, the second most popular physical activity among FHLs in Huaiyot district, did not show any significant relation with knowledge or attitude, Table 17.

Table 17: Relation between knowledge, attitude and physical activity: walking.

| Variables | Behavior |  |  | Chi-square | P-value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Correct | Correct but irregular | Total |  |  |
| Knowledge |  |  |  | 5.755 | . 218 |
| Very poor | 77 (84.6) | 14 (15.4) | 91 (100.0) |  |  |
| Poor | 78 (80.4) | 19 (19.6) | 97 (100.0) |  |  |
| Average | 52 (80.0) | 13 (20.0) | 65 (100.0) |  |  |
| Good | 113 (90.4) | 12 (9.6) | 125 (100.0) |  |  |
| Excellent | 17 (81.0) | 4 (19.0) | 21 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 337 (84.5) | 62 (15.5) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Positive Attitude |  |  | - | . 536 | . 911 |
| Disagree | 1 (100.0) | 0 (0.0) | 15 (100.0) |  |  |
| Uncertain | 7 (77.8) | 2 (2.2) | 9 (100.0) |  |  |
| Agree | 170 (84.2) | 32 (15.8) | 202 (100.0) |  |  |
| Strongly agree | 158 (85.0) | 28 (15.0) | 186 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 336 (84.4) | 62 (15.6) | 398 (100.0) |  |  |
| Negative attitude | ${ }^{\text {an }}$ | $\square$ | (6) | 3.467 | . 325 |
| Strongly agree | 15 (100.0) | $0(0.0)$ | 15 (100.0) |  |  |
| Agree | 62 (89.9) | 7 (10.1) | 69 (100.0) |  |  |
| Unsure | 232 (82.3) | 50 (17.7) | 282 (100.0) |  |  |
| Disagree | 27 (84.4) | 5 (15.6) | 32 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 336 (84.4) | 62 (15.6) | 398 (100.0) |  |  |

Walking for 2.8 kilometer by FHLs showed a significant lever of relation with the following enabling factors: receiving knowledge from health worker, and receiving support from family members, $\mathrm{p}<0.05$, Table 18 .

Table 18: P-value number of FHLs and p-value of relation between Enabling factors and physical activity, $n=400$.

| Variables | Behavior |  |  | Chi-square | P-value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Correct | Correct but irregular | Total |  |  |
| Enable factors |  |  |  |  |  |
| Time spent at work |  |  |  | 1.333 | . 248 |
| Less than 8 hours per day | 210 (85.7) | 35 (14.3) | 245 (100.0) |  |  |
| More than 8 hours per day | 103 (81.1) | 24 (18.9) | 127 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 313 (84.1) | 59 (15.9) | 372 (100.0) |  |  |
| Time spent on house work |  |  |  | 1.580 | . 209 |
| Less than 1 hours per day | 107 (83.6) | 21 (16.4) | 128 (100.0) |  |  |
| More than 1 hours per day | 197 (88.3) | 26 (11.7) | 223 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 304 (86.6) | 47 (13.4) | 351 (100.0) |  |  |
| Time spent on hobby |  |  |  | . 305 | . 581 |
| Less than 1 hours per day | 128 (89.5) | 15 (10.5) | 143 (100.0) |  |  |
| More than 1 hours per day | 98 (91.6) | 9 (8.4) | 107 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 226 (90.4) | 24 (9.6) | 250 (100.0) |  |  |
| Source of information TV | viewing | ไมหาวิทย | ลัย | . 767 | . 381 |
| Yes CHIN0 | 100 (87.0) | 15 (13.0) | 115 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 237 (83.4) | 47 (16.6) | 284 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 337 (84.5) | 62 (15.5) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| From Health officers |  |  |  | 5.641 | . 018 |
| Yes | 146 (79.8) | 37 (20.2) | 183 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 191 (88.4) | 25 (11.6) | 216 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 337 (84.5) | 62 (15.5) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| From village Health Volun | nteers |  |  | . 400 | . 527 |
| Yes | 181 (83.4) | 36 (16.6) | 217 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 156 (85.7) | 26 (14.3) | 182 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 337 (84.5) | 62 (15.5) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |

Table 18: (Cont.) P-value number of FHLs and p-value of relation between Enabling factors and physical activity, $\mathbf{n}=400$.

| Variables |  | Behavior |  | Chi-square P-value |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Correct | Correct but irregular | Total |  |  |
| Frequency of receiving knowledge |  |  |  | . 087 | . 768 |
| Daily | 121 (84.0) | 23 (16.0) | 144 (100.0) |  |  |
| Once a month | 66 (82.5) | 14 (17.5) | 80 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 187 (83.5) | 37 (16.5) | 244 (100.0) |  |  |
| Reinforcing factors Support from family members |  |  |  | 2.475 | . 116 |
| Yes | 291 (83.4) | 58 (16.6) | 349 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 46 (92.0) | 4 (8.0) | 50 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 337 (84.5) | 62 (15.5) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Advice from neighbors |  |  |  | 6.268 | . 012 |
| Yes | 239 (87.6) | 34 (12.4) | 249 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 98 (77.8) | 28 (22.2) | 126 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 337 (84.5) | 62 (15.5) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Advice from close friends |  |  |  | . 097 | . 775 |
| Yes | 238 (84.1) | 45 (15.9) | 243 (100.0) |  |  |
| No Total | 99 (85.3) | 17 (14.7) | 116 (100.0) |  |  |
|  | 337 (84.5) | 62 (15.5) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Advice from Health officer during health check up |  |  |  | . 006 | . 939 |
| Yes | 243 (84.4) | 45 (15.6) | 288 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 94 (84.7) | 17 (15.3) | 166 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 337 (84.5) | 62 (15.5) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |

The study found that knowledge and positive attitude has a significant level of relation with behavior, $(\mathrm{p}<0.05)$. Negative attitude, on the other hand, did not appear to have a significant effect on behavior, Table 19.

Table 19: Relation between knowledge and attitude and aerobic physical activity.

| Variables |  | Behavior |  |  | Chi-square | P-value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Correct | Correct but irregular | Total |  |  |
| Knowledge |  |  |  |  | 10.267 | . 036 |
| Very poor |  | 21 (23.1) | 70 (76.9) | 91 (100.0) |  |  |
| Poor |  | 35 (36.1) | 62 (63.9) | 97 (100.0) |  |  |
| Average |  | 25 (38.5) | 40 (61.5) | 65 (100.0) |  |  |
| Good |  | 55 (44.0) | 70 (56.0) | 125 (100.0) |  |  |
| Excellent |  | 8 (38.1) | 13 (61.9) | 21 (100.0) |  |  |
|  | Total | 144 (36.1) | 255 (63.9) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Positive Attitude |  |  |  | + | 9.387 | . 025 |
| Disagree |  | 0 (100.0) | $1(0.0)$ | 1 (100.0) |  |  |
| Uncertain |  | 2 (77.8) | 7 (2.2) | 9 (100.0) |  |  |
| Agree |  | 60 (29.7) | 142 (70.3) | 202 (100.0) |  |  |
| Strongly agree |  | 81 (43.6) | 105 (56.4) | 186 (100.0) |  |  |
|  | Total | 143 (35.9) | 255 (64.1) | 398 (100.0) |  |  |
| Negative attitude |  | - | $\square$ | $0$ | 6.024 | . 110 |
| Strongly agree |  | 4 (26.7) | 11 (73.3) | 15 (100.0) |  |  |
| Agree |  | 23 (33.3) | 46 (66.7) | 69 (100.0) |  |  |
| Unsure |  | 110 (39.0) | 172 (61.0) | 282 (100.0) |  |  |
| Disagree |  | 6 (18.8) | 26 (81.2) | 32 (100.0) |  |  |
|  | Total | 143 (35.9) | 255 (64.1) | 398 (100.0) |  |  |

The only enabling factor that has a significant level of relation with physical activity is receiving knowledge from health worker, $\mathrm{p}<0.05$. The other enabling factors such as availability of sports facility in the community, time spent doing different activities, different sources of information do hoo have a significant level of relation with behavior, $\mathrm{p}>0.05$, Table 20.

Table 20: Relation between enabling factors and reinforcing factors and physical activity: aerobic exercise.

| Variables | Behavior |  |  | Chi-square | P-value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Correct | Correct but irregular | Total |  |  |
| Enable factors |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sports facility in the community |  |  |  | . 177 | . 674 |
| Yes | 89 (35.3) | 163 (64.7) | 252 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 55 (37.4) | 92 (62.6) | 147 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 144 (36.1) | 255 (63.9) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Time spent at work |  |  | $=$ | . 027 | . 869 |
| Less than 8 hours per day | 87 (35.5) | 158 (64.5) | 245 (100.0) |  |  |
| More than 8 hours per day | 44 (34.6) | 83 (65.4) | 127 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 131 (35.2) | 241 (64.8) | 372 (100.0) |  |  |
| Time spent on house work |  |  | + | . 681 | . 409 |
| Less than 1 hours per day | 51 (39.8) | 77 (60.2) | 128 (100.0) |  |  |
| More than 1 hours per day | 79 (35.4) | 144 (64.6) | 223 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 130 (37.0) | 221 (63.0) | 351 (100.0) |  |  |
| Time spent on hobby |  |  |  | . 008 | . 929 |
| Less than 1 hours per day | 58 (40.6) | 85 (59.4) | 143 (100.0) |  |  |
| More than 1 hours per day | 44 (41.1) | 63 (58.9) | 107 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 109 (40.8) | 148 (59.2) | 250 (100.0) |  |  |
| Source of information |  |  |  | 2.976 | . 084 |
| TV viewing |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 49 (42.6) | 66 (57.4) | 115 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 95 (33.4) | 189 (66.6) | 284 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 144 (36.1) | 255 (63.9) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| From Health officers |  |  |  | 27.451 | . 000 |
| Yes | 41 (22.4) | 142 (77.6) | 183 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 103 (47.7) | 113 (52.3) | 216 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 144 (36.1) | 255 (63.9) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |

Table 20: (Cont.) Relation between enabling factors and reinforcing factors and physical activity: aerobic exercise.

| Variables | Behavior |  |  | Chi-square | P-value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Correct | Correct but irregular | Total |  |  |
| From village Health Volunteers |  |  |  | 2.344 | . 126 |
| Yes | 71 (32.7) | 146 (67.3) | 217 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 73 (40.1) | 109 (59.9) | 182 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 144 (36.1) | 255 (63.9) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Frequency of receiving $k$ | nowledge |  |  | . 857 | . 355 |
| Daily | 52 (36.1) | 92 (63.9) | 144 (100.0) |  |  |
| Once a month | 24 (30.0) | 56 (70.0) | 80 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 76 (33.9) | 148 (66.1) | 244 (100.0) |  |  |
| Reinforcing factors |  | $\square$ |  |  |  |
| Support from family mem |  |  |  | 16.870 | . 000 |
| Yes | 139 (39.8) | 210 (60.2) | 349 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 5 (10.0) | 45 (90.0) | 50 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 144 (36.1) | 255 (63.9) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Advice from neighbors |  |  |  | 23.190 | . 000 |
| Yes | 120 (44.0) | 153 (56.0) | 273 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 24 (19.0) | 102 (81.0) | 126 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 144 (36.1) | 255 (63.9) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Advice from close friends |  |  |  | 14.984 | . 000 |
| Yes | 119 (42.0) | 164 (58.0) | 283 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 25 (21.6) | 91 (78.4) | 116 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 144 (36.1) | 255 (63.9) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |
| Advice from Health office | er during he | ealth check up |  | 7.871 | . 005 |
| Yes | 116 (40.3) | 172 (59.7) | 288 (100.0) |  |  |
| No | 28 (25.2) | 83 (74.8) | 111 (100.0) |  |  |
| Total | 144 (36.1) | 255 (63.9) | 399 (100.0) |  |  |

