THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMMUNITY’S PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR BEING SAFETY COMMUNITY: CASE STUDY: BAAN KOR, MOO 3, BAAN KOR SUB-DISTRICT, MUANG DISTRICT, KHON KAEN PROVINCE, THAILAND

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Objective  To develop the participation process of the community in order to lead it to be safety community.

Design  Participation action research was used in the study and was conducted from July 2010–June 2011.

Setting  The study was operated at a village in north-eastern region, Khon Kaen province, Thailand.

Process  There were five steps. (1) preparing the community (2) processing the collaboration (3) doing survey for finding the problems and planning to solve the problems (4) operating according to the plan (5) evaluating.

Results  After operating the process, there were no accidents happening in the community. There was only one person had other kinds of accident. 10 risky points were improved such as rate of wearing a helmet, the people had the Vehicle Act. Five pieces of toys at the playground were already modified, chemicals used were decreased, five stores in eight stores improved about selling antibiotic, combination drugs, alcoholic beverages and firecrackers at first, the environment were improve to be safety such as fencing the pool and the area around the pool and the safety rules were set. Furthermore, the plan of the community was proposed to ask for the budget from the Sub-district Administrative Organisation. The community was received the award from good health festival of Bann Kor sub-district.

Conclusions  This collaboration leads to better safety behaviours of the people. However, the promotion and continued strong support of government organisations will result in exchange of learning to expand possible results concretely and sustainably.