Developing Effective Rehabilitation of Offenders by Throughcare System : From Institutional treatment to Probation and Aftercare Service

Phornprapha Klaewkla



Expert in Rehabilitation and Community Affairs

Department of Probation



Or I might have to struggle alone and end up re-offending again.

My situation will be better if only...



What is throughcare System?



Methodology: Participatory Action Research





2. Reviewing the work of probation, parole and sentence reduction



3. Co-creating the research action plan with the probation officers of the pilot sites.



4. Action

Ĭ.



Incarceration



Pre-released investigation led by VPOs



Supervision and rehabilitation reform

Released



Offender preparation for pre-released



Community readiness' s preparation



Private sectors and local community Involvement in aftercare program



Before



After



Individual interview

Group interview

















The inmate and his parents felt less anxious about going back into the community because they know that he can turn to the community leader and VPOs when he experiences difficulties in resettlement.









Before

The families go to pick up the offenders on the day he is released.

After

- Re-arrange stuff in the house to welcome the offender
- The families, the head of the community, and VPOs go to pick-up the offenders on the day he is released.
- The community members hold the welcome rituals for the offenders.

Results



On the day of release, the offenders' families accompanied with the community leader, and VPOs went to pick up the offenders at the prison and take them to the temple to join the welcoming ritual before going back home.



Welcome back home



Not only this ritual represents the community' s acceptance of the offender, it also helps his family to feel less worried about discrimination and stigmatization that might occur to their son.



Supervision and Rehabilitation Reform

Before

- Report to POs at the probation offices

After

- Report to VPOs in the community.
- Families of offenders and
 community members take part in the report process.
- Family support group
- Urgent home visit

The offenders come to the VPOs Coordinating Center to report to the VPOs





Urgent home visit



Before

 provide 1 year for the probationer/parolee who asks for help and support.





- The aftercare will not only come from the Department of Probation, but from the community members, including private sector who are willing to help the offenders succeed in their reintegration to society.





The community members, VPOs, and probation officers are always there to support the offender's reintegration.

Throughcare System

Before		After
Over workloads POs burnout	Phenomena	Efficient Supervision and Rehabilitation POs enjoy their work more
POs work alone	Pattern	POs work collaboratively with community and other local agencies
Provincial Probation Office supervise all client in the province	Structure	Supervision based on area/location
Main character: DOP Facilitator: VPO/ community	Sec mindset	Main character: VPO/community Facilitator: DOP



Department of Probation Ministry of Justice Thailand

Thank you very much



SAWASDEE KA

