ABSTRACT

Developing Empowerment Program for The Independency of the Housewives with HIV {Case Study at *Women Empowerment Community (WE)* Surabaya}

Empowerment program aims at improving the independency in social economic sector or psychology. The research aims at formulating the development of empowerment program to improve the independency of the housewives with HIV. The research is a qualitative and its design is an exploration research. The subjects of the research are ten housewives with HIV, the members of Women Empowerment Community /WE Surabaya. Data collection uses in-depth interview and Focus Group Discussion (FGD). Research result shows that the subject character has no influence on the kind of the desired empowerment program. The majority of problem lies on the aspect of social economy and the need for economic improvement. Innovation character which influences the adoption of empowerment program which is now WE developing is the relative advantage while social systems which effect is the friends who even prove to be the agent of change. WE empowerment program has actually met the concept of empowerment program; it provides members with human resources, opportunity, knowledge as well as skill but it still unable to provide the result according to the program goal. Government and NGO are expected to develop program according to the problem, need and the ability of the housewives with HIV in such a way that empowerment program improve their independency particularly in the sector of social economy

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