OUTCOME OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING IN ELECTRONICS FOR PEOPLE WITH COMPLETE PARAPLEGIA AFTER RETURNING TO COMMUNITY

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Abstract:

Title: Outcome of vocational training in electronics for people with complete paraplegia after returning to community.

Goal of the study: The aim of the study is to explore the efficacy of electronics training for people with paraplegia at the community level.

Study design: Qualitative study design was selected to identify the factors, which influence outcomes of electronics training for the people with paraplegia once they return to their community. Semi structured and face-to-face interview was conducted to collect the data.

Samples: Convenience and purposive sampling method was chosen to select the participants. Five participants who met the selection criteria; person with complete paraplegia, wheel chair user, took electronics training and returned to the community.

Setting: Participants house in the community.

Result: Among the five participants three were able to continue their job. Though they were engaged themselves on that job they were not fully independent. During continuing performance they faced variety of problems. They tried their best to overcome those problems and in most cases they adapted with the situation. In the future they thought the situation would be changed. Two of the participants failed to engage themselves in that job because they could not overcome the problems which they faced. At that time they were hopeless about that profession (electronics) and had no future plan with that.

Key words: Vocational training, spinal cord injury, complete paraplegia, community and electronic training.