

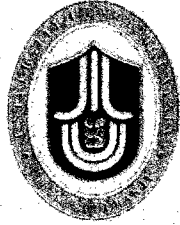
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ABSTRACT

The main objective of this study is to determine the effectiveness of safety awareness. The data is collected from 100 staffs at Seremban Specialist Hospital. The data is analyzed by using Correlation. Result shows that there is a significant relationship between employee's attitudes, management practices and leadership behavior towards level of awareness. It shows that employee's attitudes, management practices and leadership behavior influences the effectiveness of safety awareness.

ABSTRAK

Objektif utama kajian ini adalah untuk menentukan tahap kesedaran yang efektif terhadap keselamatan pekerja. Data dikumpul daripada 100 orang pekerja di Hospital Pakar Seremban. Data di analisis dengan menggunakan Ujian Korelasi. Keputusan menunjukkan bahawa terdapat hubungan yang signifikan di antara tingkah laku pekerja, gaya pihak pengurusan dan tingkahlaku pemimpin terhadap tahap kesedaran keselamatan di tempat kerja. Ini menunjukkan bahawa tingkahlaku pekerja, gaya pihak pengurusan dan tingkah laku pemimpin memberi kesan terhadap tahap kesedaran keselamatan pekerjaan.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This chapter gives a brief introduction regarding the study. This chapter also discusses the research problem, research question, research objective, scope and limitation of the study, significant of the study and a brief operation definition of the keywords.

1.1 BACKGROUND OF THE STUDY

Creating safety awareness is a critical but challenging task of senior leaders in organizations involved in potentially harmful activities (“high hazard” industries) (Roberts & Rousseau, 1989). Clarke (2003) defined safety awareness as the core assumptions and beliefs that organizational members hold concerning safety issues. This is expressed through the beliefs, values and behavioral norms of its managers, supervisors and workforce and is evident in company safety policy, rules and procedures. The essence of this definition is the sharing of common beliefs and values that safety is a priority. Effective safety can only be achieved when there is a proper management of the interaction between technological systems and people.

Safety awareness can be discerned from behavioral norms that demonstrate a commitment to safety. In health care, an example of a high hazard industry, strong

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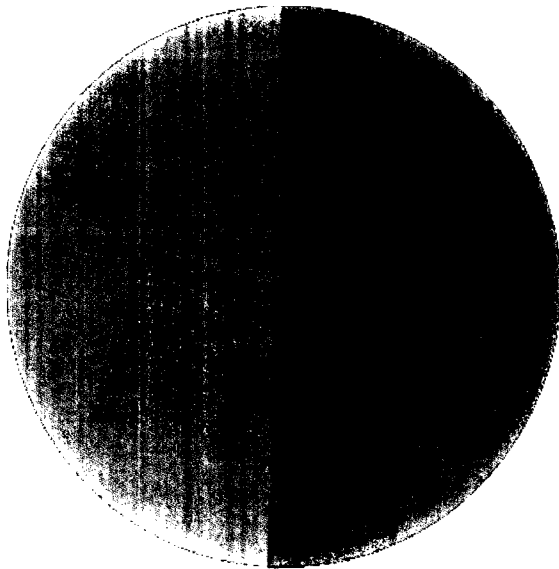
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Frequencies

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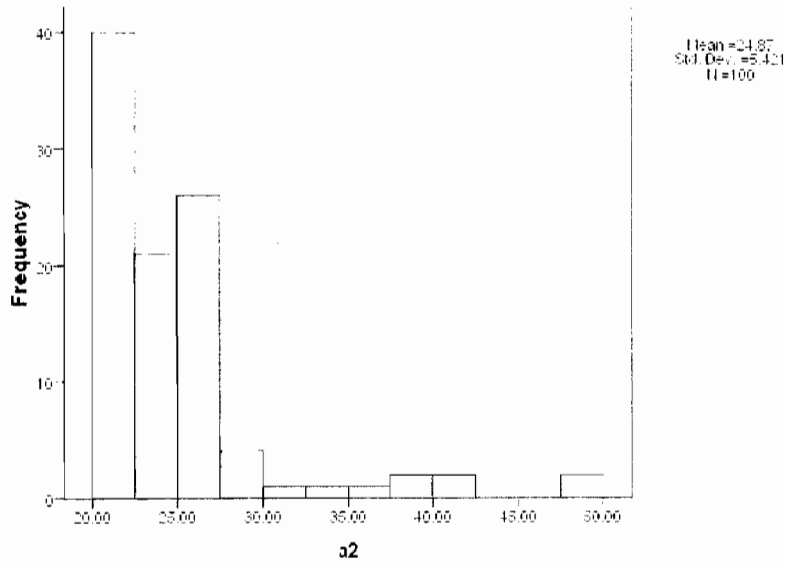
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26	6	6.0	6.0	82.0
27	5	5.0	5.0	87.0
28	2	2.0	2.0	89.0
29	2	2.0	2.0	91.0
31	1	1.0	1.0	92.0
33	1	1.0	1.0	93.0
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Frequencies

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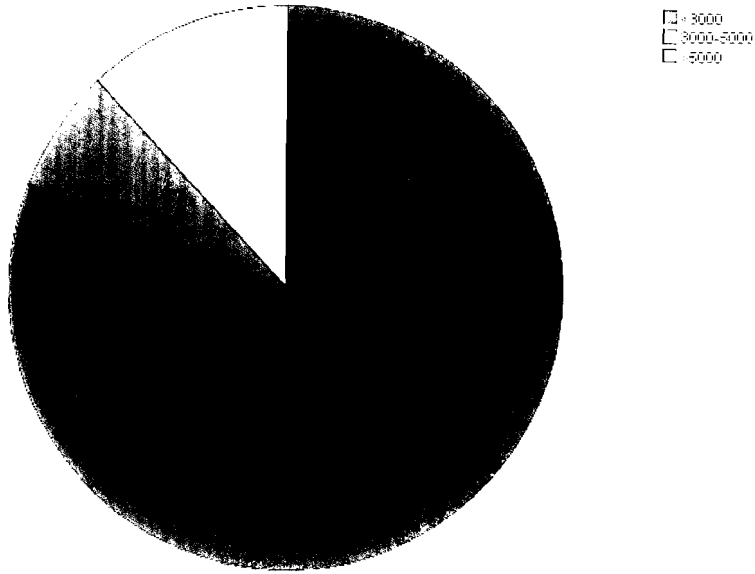
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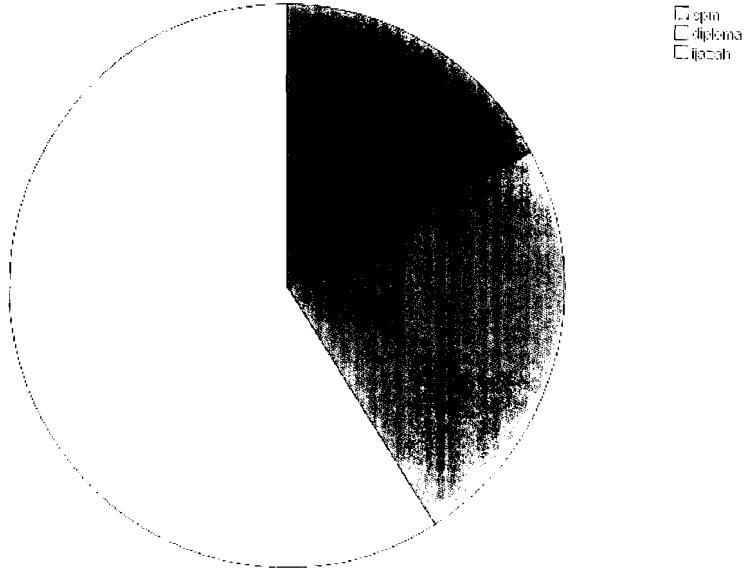
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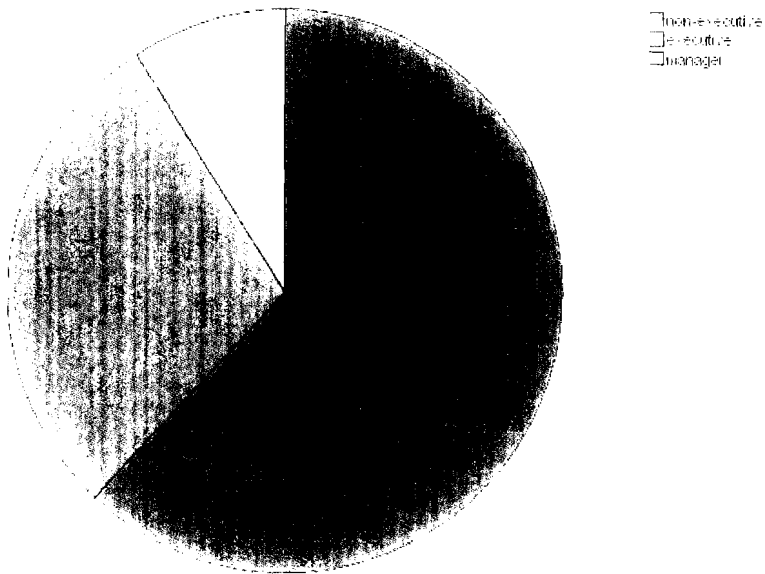
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Item Statistics

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	Total	100	100.0

a. Listwise deletion based on all variables in the procedure.

Reliability Statistics

Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items
.448	4

Item Statistics

	Mean	Std. Deviation	N
b12	3.4300	.99752	100
b13	3.3300	.89955	100
b14	3.4600	1.03884	100
b15	3.5700	1.01757	100

Item-Total Statistics

	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item-Total Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted
b12	10.3600	4.354	.134	.493
b13	10.4600	3.907	.334	.306
b14	10.3300	4.244	.136	.496
b15	10.2200	3.224	.450	.158

Reliability

Scale: ALL VARIABLES

Case Processing Summary

		N	%
Cases	Valid	100	100.0
	Excluded ^a	0	.0
	Total	100	100.0

a. Listwise deletion based on all variables in the procedure.

Reliability Statistics

Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items
.496	3

Item Statistics

	Mean	Std. Deviation	N
b12	3.4300	.99752	100
b13	3.3300	.89955	100
b15	3.5700	1.01757	100

Item-Total Statistics

	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item-Total Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted
b12	6.9000	3.081	.048	.802
b13	7.0000	2.323	.405	.252
b15	6.7600	1.679	.580	-.149 ^a

a. The value is negative due to a negative average covariance among items. This violates reliability model assumptions. You may want to check item codings.

Reliability

Scale: ALL VARIABLES

Case Processing Summary

		N	%
Cases	Valid	100	100.0
	Excluded ^a	0	.0
	Total	100	100.0

Case Processing Summary

		N	%
Cases	Valid	100	100.0
	Excluded ^a	0	.0
	Total	100	100.0

a. Listwise deletion based on all variables in the procedure.

Reliability Statistics

Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items
.650	5

Item Statistics

	Mean	Std. Deviation	N
b16	3.5600	.80804	100
b17	3.6000	.75210	100
b18	3.5000	.83485	100
b19	3.2800	.84184	100
b20	3.2700	1.08110	100

Item-Total Statistics

	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item-Total Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted
b16	13.6500	5.402	.493	.558
b17	13.6100	5.957	.376	.611
b18	13.7100	5.541	.424	.588
b19	13.9300	6.187	.241	.669
b20	13.9400	4.421	.509	.542

Reliability

Scale: ALL VARIABLES

Case Processing Summary

		N	%
Cases	Valid	100	100.0
	Excluded ^a	0	.0
	Total	100	100.0

a. Listwise deletion based on all variables in the procedure.

Reliability Statistics

Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items
.669	4

Item Statistics

	Mean	Std. Deviation	N
b16	3.5600	.80804	100
b17	3.6000	.75210	100
b18	3.5000	.83485	100
b20	3.2700	1.08110	100

Item-Total Statistics

	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item-Total Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted
b16	10.3700	3.872	.523	.558
b17	10.3300	4.607	.314	.680
b18	10.4300	3.722	.549	.538
b20	10.6600	3.257	.451	.618

Reliability

Scale: ALL VARIABLES

Case Processing Summary

		N	%
Cases	Valid	100	100.0
	Excluded ^a	0	.0
	Total	100	100.0

a. Listwise deletion based on all variables in the procedure.

Reliability Statistics

Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items
.680	3

Item Statistics

	Mean	Std. Deviation	N
b16	3.5600	.80804	100
b18	3.5000	.83485	100
b20	3.2700	1.08110	100

Item-Total Statistics

	Scale Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item-Total Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted
b16	6.7700	2.644	.499	.588
b18	6.8300	2.486	.541	.534
b20	7.0600	1.996	.472	.648

Correlations

Descriptive Statistics

	Mean	Std. Deviation	N
awareness	18.4500	2.88281	100
attitudes	18.5800	3.05234	100

Correlations

		awareness	attitudes
awareness	Pearson Correlation	1	.473**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.000
	N	100	100
attitudes	Pearson Correlation	.473**	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	
	N	100	100

** . Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

Correlations

Descriptive Statistics

	Mean	Std. Deviation	N
awareness	18.4500	2.88281	100
management	17.5500	4.08094	100

Correlations

		awareness	management
awareness	Pearson Correlation	1	.307**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.002
	N	100	100
management	Pearson Correlation	.307**	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.002	
	N	100	100

** . Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

Correlations

Descriptive Statistics

	Mean	Std. Deviation	N
awareness	18.4500	2.88281	100
leadership	17.2100	2.81157	100

Correlations

		awareness	leadership
awareness	Pearson Correlation	1	.326**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.001
	N	100	100
leadership	Pearson Correlation	.326**	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.001	
	N	100	100

** . Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

SAFETY AWARENESS

**SECTION A :
BACKGROUND
INFORMATION**

Gender : F / M

Age: _____ Salary Range <RM3000 RM3000 – RM5000 >RM5000

Education Level : SPM Diploma Ijazah Master PHD /

Position Level : Non-Executive Executive Manager

**SECTION B:
SAFETY AWARENESS AT WORKPLACE**

For each of the following question, circle one (1) answer for each statement using the scale at the top of the pages.

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
1	2	3	4	5

Part I : Level of awareness in safety

No	Question	Rating				
		1	2	3	4	5
1	I am aware of the safe system of work before I start a job	1	2	3	4	5
2	I am aware of the health and safety requirement	1	2	3	4	5
3	I am aware of the do's and don'ts in case of emergency	1	2	3	4	5
4	Sometimes I am uncertain how to do/practices a job safely	1	2	3	4	5
5	Safety is more important to me than "getting the job done"	1	2	3	4	5

Part II : Employees attitudes towards safety

No	Question	Rating				
6	I have to wear Personal Protective Equipment when I supposed to do so	1	2	3	4	5
7	I have responsibility for the safety of my colleagues	1	2	3	4	5
8	I work more than 48 hours per week	1	2	3	4	5
9	I followed safety procedures at my workplace	1	2	3	4	5
10	Sometimes I heard about others skip the safety procedures when doing a job	1	2	3	4	5

Part III : Management practices

No	Question	Rating				
11	Management respond positively when I raise safety issues	1	2	3	4	5
12	Management sometimes turn a blind eye when safety procedures are broken	1	2	3	4	5
13	Supervisor distributed safety leaflets to the staffs	1	2	3	4	5
14	"Getting the job done quickly" is management highest priority	1	2	3	4	5
15	Safety poster displayed at the premises	1	2	3	4	5

Part IV : Leadership behavior

No	Question	Rating				
16	Line managers talk to me about safety	1	2	3	4	5
17	I can report unsafe behavior without fear of any negative comeback	1	2	3	4	5
18	My line managers is good at dealing with unsafe behaviors	1	2	3	4	5
19	I don't think my line managers does enough to ensure a safe working environmental	1	2	3	4	5
20	My line managers seldom checks that people are working safely	1	2	3	4	5