

CHAPTER 6

CONCLUSION

Although the functional level of the patients who received the home program was no statistical significant difference to the hospital program but the power of this study was only 20%. So it can not conclude that the functional outcome of home program was not different to hospital program. It should be continue the study to improve the power of the study.

This study showed the cost of the home program was not as expensive as the hospital program. The home program can be used to reduced cost of treatment in the hospital. For Thai culture, The relatives had a good compliance to treat the patients at home.

However the problem of this program was the patients who lived a very long distance from the hospital, it was difficult to follow them up. However they could follow up at district hospitals near their homes. In the future, to do an effective home program, the rehabilitation treatment knowledge should be given to the doctors that work in every district hospital.

RECOMMENDATION

1. The study should be continue to improve the power of the study.
2. Other outcomes such as psychological aspect, quality of life, etc should be measured in future study.