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The Effect of Practicing Community Organization on Increasing the Efficiency of the Social Habilitation of the Handicapped Association in Performing its Role

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First : The Problem of the Study and Its Importance:

The handicapped are a category of the society whatever was the handicap or its causes. So, it is the duty of the society, represented in its institutions and organizations, to spread awareness, media and education necessary for the social and societal introduction of the handicapped and their energies and abilities that can be invested. In spite of that the government does its best in taking care of the handicapped, this field still lacks the public awareness of the existence of that category and also this field lacks facing the problems of that category with suitable voluntary services.

The private associations and institutions are considered among the voluntary organizations that are based on practicing the social activities that aim at satisfying human needs and facing societal problems within the services of the social care and developing the local societies with the aim of anything but getting a material gain.

The concern of the social work with the handicapped is based upon the consideration that this category is one of the basic elements in building the society.

Community organization deals with the handicapped through their being one of the categories of the citizens who needs a special care. This method deals with the handicapped whatever was their handicaps making use of the inputs of community organization in dealing with the society and institutions of the handicapped.

When community organization is practiced with the institutions of the handicapped, including "The Social Habilitation of the Handicapped Association", it tries to recognize the obstacles that limit their activity what leads finally to their inability to achieve their goals represented in taking care of the handicapped.

The concern is focused here on activating the inputs of that institutions to ensure positive outputs. It should be taken into consideration that the aim of that method is to raise the competence of the services that are given to the handicapped through specific commitments. It also aims at activating and providing the resources necessary for such institutions and in the same time to face the inefficiency in the inputs and the outputs of the handicapped care institutions.

However, it should be pointed out that "The Social Habilitation of the "Handicapped Association" faces many obstacles that stand in the way of achieving their goals and performing their roles effectively. Hence, there was a need of the professional interference using community organization in order to increase the ability of the association to perform its role and to face the obstacles that prevent performing its role effectively. Thus, the problem of the study was formed as follows:

"The professional interference using community organization helps the social habilitation of the handicapped association in performing its role effectively and facing the obstacles that stand in the way of achieving its goals".

Second: Aims of the Study:

The study aims at:

- 1- Helping social habilitation of the handicapped association in performing its role effectively and facing the obstacles that stand in the way of achieving its goals through:
 - a) Facing the insufficiency in the monetary and financial resources.
 - b) Facing the obstacles of the low participation.
 - c) Disregarding the real needs of the handicapped.
- 2- Recognizing the real role of the social worker in the association.

3- Reading a proposed conception of the professional practice in community organization that can be applied in the social habilitation of the handicapped associations.

Third: The Hypotheses of the Study:

The study is based upon a main hypothesis that is "there is interference using community organization and facing the obstacles that stand in the way of the social habilitation of the handicapped associations to perform their roles effectively.

This Main Hypothesis is Tested Through the Following Subsidiary Hypotheses:

- 1- There is a relation of statistic function between the professional Intervention using community organization and helping the social habilitation of the handicapped association to face the obstacles that stand in the way of increasing the monetary and financial resources.
- 2- There is a relation of statistic function between the professional Intervention using community organization and helping the social habilitation of the handicapped association to face the obstacles of the low participation.
- 3- There is a relation of statistic function between the professional Intervention using community organization and helping the social habilitation of the handicapped association to face the obstacles of disregarding the real needs of the handicapped.

Fourth : The Kind of the Study:

The researcher depended on experimental design using the "one sample model" with subjecting the sample to the Test and the post Test. She also depended on the Experimental Matods approach with the

professional interference using community organization as the dependent variable, the obstacles related to the association as the medium variable and the social habilitation of the handicapped association as the independent variable.

Fifth : The Tools of the Study:

- 1- Interview the members of the board of directors.
- 2- Interview of the role of the association in satisfying the real needs of the handicapped from the point of view of the beneficiaries, namely, the clients of the association.
- 3- Content analysis.
- 4- A measure for assessing the Accountability of the professional Intervention with the members of the board of directors (prepared by the researcher).
- 5- A measure for assessing the Accountability of the professional Intervention with the beneficiaries (prepared by the researcher).

Sixth: The Spheres of the Study:

- 1- **The Sphere of Locality** : The social habilitation of the handicapped association in El Fayoum governorate.
- 2- **The human Sphere** : The human field of this study consists of two groups that are:
 - a) The members of the board of directors (11 members).
 - b) The handicapped beneficiaries (65 members).
- 3- **The Tempora Shere**: The theoretical and practical preparation of the study started from 4/11/2001 up to 29/4/2002.

Seventh : The Results of the Study:

We will Handle the Results of the Study as Follows:

1. The results of the study as related to testing the hypotheses in the light of the previous studies.
2. The general results of the study.
3. The results of the study as related to the practice of community organization in the social habilitation of the handicapped association.

These Results are Discussed in Details as Follows:

[1] The Results of the Study as Related to Testing the Hypotheses in the light of the Previous Studies.

- As related to the first subsidiary hypothesis, which is there is a relation of statistic function between the professional interference with the members of the board of directors and limiting the obstacles that leads to the insufficiency of the financial resources in the social habilitation of the handicapped association, the study proved its validity as shown below:

- 1- The great experience of the members in collecting money.
- 2- Helping the members to continue in urging the companies and institution to donate for the association.
- 3- Developing the existing services and establishing new services.

- As related to the second subsidiary hypothesis, which is there is a relation of statistic function between the professional interference using community organization and helping the social habilitation of the handicapped association to pay due attention to the real needs, the study proved its validity. The professional interference with the members of the board of directors has led to helping them to pay attention to the real needs of the handicapped through recognizing these needs and trying to

face and satisfy them. The study has also proved the validity of the subsidiary indicators of that hypothesis which are:

- 1- Increasing the experience of the members in studying the real needs of the handicapped.
- 2- Developing the existing services and establishing new services.
- 3- Reinforcing the relationship between the association as an organization and the other existing organizations that serve the handicapped.

- As related to the third subsidiary hypothesis, which is there is a relation of statistic function between the professional interference using community organization with the members of the board of directors and limiting the obstacles that lead to the low participation on the side of the members of the board of directors in the activities of the association, the study has proved its validity.

Using the professional interference, it became possible to contribute in reinforcing the participation of the members of the boards of directors in the activities of the association as follow:

- 1- Making the members participate in recognizing the services and activities and making plans.
- 2- Making them participate in the carrying-out and assessing processes.
- 3- Reinforcing the communication channels between the association and the handicapped.
- 4- Developing the awareness of the managerial and organizational aspects.

(B) The Results of the Study Related to the Hhandicapped:

- As related to the first subsidiary hypothesis, which is there is a relation of statistic function between the professional Intervention using community organization with the handicapped and limiting the

obstacles that stand in the way of paying attention to the real needs of the handicapped, the study has proved its validity through:

- 1- Reinforcing the communication channels between the association and the handicapped.
- 2- Developing the existing services and establishing new ones.
- 3- Reinforcing the relationship between the association as an organization and the other existing organizations that lead to the dissatisfaction of the needs of the handicapped.

□ As related to the second subsidiary hypothesis, which is there is a relation of statistic function between the professional Intervention using community organization with the handicapped and reinforcing the idea of the habilitation that is based on the society, the study has proved its validity through:

- 1- Making the local society, including the handicapped themselves and their families, participates in the habilitation programs.
- 2- Spreading the local societal awareness to ensure the positive participation of the individuals of the society.
- 3- Helping the family of the handicapped to accept and incorporate him through enabling the family to perform its role.

□ As related to the third subsidiary hypothesis, which is there is a relation of statistic function between the professional Intervention using community organization with the handicapped and facing the managerial obstacles that stands in the way of stisfying the basic needs of the handicapped, the study has proved its volidity through:

- 1- Facing the obstacles that are related to the financial resources of the associations.
- 2- Facing the obstacles that are related to the managerial responsibilities of the members of the board of directors.

3- Facing the obstacles that are related to the habilitation services that are provided to the handicapped.

[2] The General Results of the Study:

- a) The absence of trust on the side of the handicapped in the members of the board of directors was one of the most important factors that stand in the way of achieving the goals of the association and thus affecting its competence in performing its role.
- b) The absence of co-ordination between the efforts of the members of the board of directors and the efforts of the supervising outhorities on the association was one of the most important factors that stand in the way of achieving the goals of the association.
- c) Making the handicapped themselves participate in the activities of the association and reinforce them is a reflection of that the association pays attention to their real needs and to its satisfaction.
- d) The concern of the board of directors about developing the services of the association and establishing new ones is considered a main factor in the assistance of the social fund to the association.
- e) Insufficient habilitation bureaus in the districts of the governorate is the main reason that leads to the insufficient services that are provided in these bureaus.
- f) The absence of a contractor of the compensatory apparatuses is the main reason of the bad quality of such apparatuses in El Fayoum governorate. This due to that the contractors impose their conditions on the association.
- g) The general administration of habilitation and the specialized institutions of it don't make use of "training on modern professions" and this is the main reason of the complains of the handicapped that

the professions they are trained to do don't suit the needs of the labour market.

- h) Insufficient financial assistance that are provided to the association is the main reason that leads to the low quality of the compensatory apparatuses because they are very expensive.
- i) The absence of co-ordination between the labour office and the general administration of habilitation is the main reason that leads to the absence of commitment of the compulsory employment of the handicapped and to the absence of the knowledge of the professions suitable for the labour market.
- j) The handicapped should be given an opportunity to get a loan from the productive families and they also should be followed after getting the loan. This due to that El Fayoum has the greatest percentage of handicap that is about 10%.
- k) The commitment of the consultation and flexibility principles when making decisions is one of the factors that leads to reinforcing the participation of the members of the board of directors in the affairs of the association and also the members of the common society.
- l) The absense of a guiding manual and the ambiguity of the standards of determining and classifying the handicapped, especially the mentally-ill and the psychic patients, is a main factor that leads to the inability of those who work in the field of habilitation to the inability of those who work in the field of habilitation to determine those who need the habilitation services.

[3] The Results of the Study as Related to the Practice of Community Organization in the Social Habilitation of the Handicapped Association.

- a) The low abilities of the social worker in the association has led to a chaos in the process of practice and the dependence on the individual

work or serving the individual method what led to the ambiguity of his role before the professional interference program using community organization.

- b) The absence of the executive manager's understanding of the nature of the role of the board of directors at the beginning of the professional interference was an obstacle in the way of using the techniques and tools of community organization. This was because of his refusal to allow them to interfere in the affairs of the association.
- c) The social habilitation of the handicapped association was neglecting completely the importance of using and practicing community organization with the handicapped and the association itself. The importance of this method comes from that it depends on activating the inputs of the association to ensure positive outputs and that it concentrates mainly on raising the competence of the services that are provided to the handicapped, activating and facilitating the resources necessary for this association and facing any obstacles or deficiencies in the inputs and outputs of the association. This was exactly what the researcher has done and she has determined the obstacles then classified them. After that she did the professional Intervention using the tools, technics, strategies and roles of the social organizer to prove the efficiency of practicing such method in the field of habilitating the hadicapped.
- d) The slow and routine procedures of the responsables in the social affairs department when giving the approvals related to carrying-out the field study and to the nature of the professional Intervention what led to period of interference and obstacking the researcher to acieve the goals of interference at the beginning of the period of the professional interference.

e) Practicing community organization in the social habilitation of the handicapped association has led to:

1. Creating specialized committees inside the association.
2. Creating an active and effective board of directors that is able to perform managerial responsibilities inside the association.
3. Raising the competence and experience of the members of the board of directors in performing the works that lead to the increase of the financial resources of the association and to the search for new resources of finance.
4. Opening communication channels between the association and the other organization that serve the handicapped.

The results have ended up with putting a frame that aim at building a model of the professional interference using community organization with the social habilitation of the handicapped associations.