ABSTRACT

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The purpose of this study was to describe resilience of the young adult female

HIV/AIDS patients who infected by injected the drug user syringe. The participants

in this study were five women from 20 to 40 years old. According to Reivich and

Shatte (2002), resilience is a ability to survive, get up, and adapted to the difficult

conditions. Resilience refer to capacity to respond in a healthy and productive

when dealing with distress or trauma, which is needed to manage the pressures

of daily life. Resilience has seven characteristic: a) emotional regulation, b) impuls

control, c) optimism, d) causal analysis, e) empathy, f) self-efficacy, and g)

reaching out. The method used is in-depth interview, this study started from August

until November 2015. The result show that the five subjects began to build

resilience when it first knew HIV positive status. Based on theory, the five subjects

can build resilience with different processes. Generally, the five subjects move

forward as people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA).

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