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## ABSTRACT

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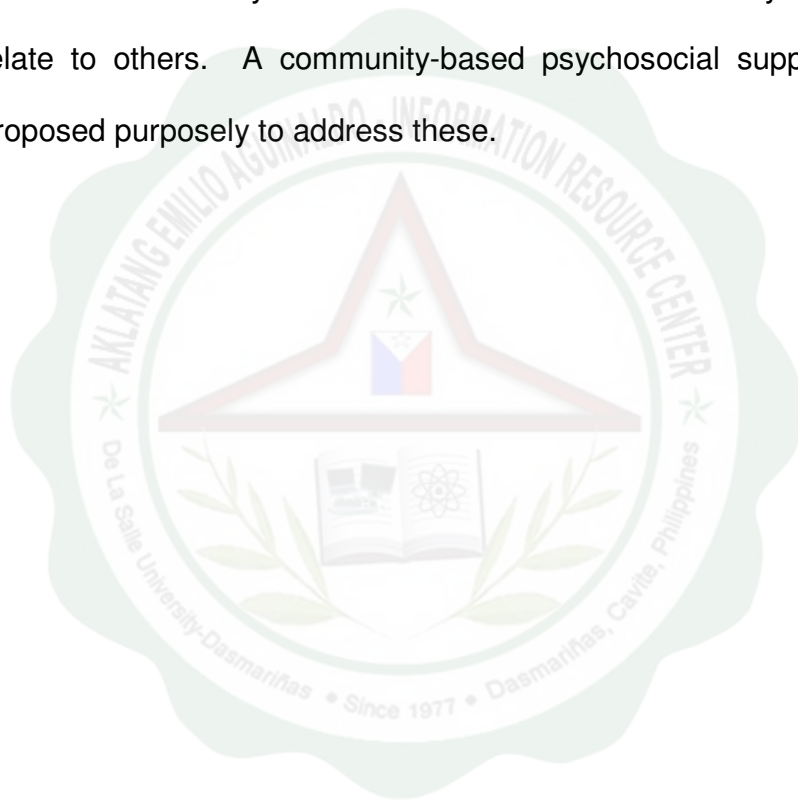
This paper is aimed at developing a community-based psychosocial support activities for children with parents in prison. Specifically, it is aimed at finding out if parental incarceration affects the child's emotional and psychosocial condition as well as living condition. The study is Qualitative in nature and employed Multiple Case Study as its method. Interview, observation, and home visitation were used to assess the respondents of the study in terms of the impact the parental imprisonment has on them.

Six elementary pupils ages 7 to 12 were the respondents of the study. They were selected using the snowball technique.

Psychological tests such as Emotions Profile Index and Children's Apperception Test were given to the six respondents to measure the emotional effect of incarceration to the children. Another test, Personality Inventory for Children 2, was given to the caregivers of the respondents to measure the psychosocial effects of incarceration to the children.

Findings of the study showed that parental incarceration affects children's living condition which affects their emotional and psychosocial condition.

The study concludes that children with incarcerated parents do not know how to identify and handle their emotions and they find it difficult to relate to others. A community-based psychosocial support activities is proposed purposely to address these.



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