Health & Disease in Thailand

- Community based field experience
- Focus on public health and tropical disease
- Village health assessments

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Thailand – Focus on Prevention

- Long history of primary health care
- 4th National Primary Health Plan (1977-1981)
  - Trained village health workers
  - Community organization
  - Restructured health system by de-centralizing
  - Resulted in MARKED increase in immunization coverage, drug availability, clean water

Description of Field Experience

• 3-week duration
• Study themes
  – Thai Health System with a focus on Public Health
  – Community Health Assessment
  – Chronic Disease and Infectious Disease
  – Human and sometimes animal health
  – Traditional Medicine
  – Thai Culture – its relationship to health
• Classroom instruction and field experiences
• Partner Universities
Starting Out in Bangkok
Classes, Field and Cultural Trips
Nakhorn Ratchasima Province
Tours, Traditional Medicine, Public Health
Community Assessments
Celebration
Nursing Week In Mahasarakham
The Buddy System
Home Visit

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