# DEVELOPMENT OF LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNICATION SKILL MODEL ON MIDWIFERY STUDENTS IN PHYSIOLOGICAL DELIVERY PRACTICE

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#### ABSTRACT

**Introduction:** Currently there is a tendency for students only prioritising hard skills without improving their soft skills. This is indicated by the negative attitudes and actions such as delay task submission, bad time management, and a lack of commitment towards a task. The purpose of this research is to find out the model of leadership skill development and communication skill of the vocational Midwifery course. **Methods:** This study consists of two stages. The research type was observational and explanatory. The first stage used a cross-sectional design and the second stage was quasi-experimental. The subjects of the study for the first stage was 130 respondents, calculated by "rule of the thumb" and by purposive sampling. The second stage consisted of 38 respondents taken by random sampling. The exogenous variables are motivation, self-leadership strategies, job satisfaction, psychological empowerment, self-efficacy, and task commitment. The endogenous variables are leadership skill and communication skills. In the first stage, the data were analysed using PLS and the second stage used a Wilcoxon test with  $\alpha = 0.05$ . **Results:** The variables of motivation, self-leadership and job satisfaction could improve communication skills. In stage 2 (after training), all of the variables increased significantly with p <0.05. **Conclusions:** Training using the self-leadership module can improve the ability of motivation, self-leadership strategies, job satisfaction, self-efficacy, psychological empowerment, task commitment, communication and student leadership skills.

Keywords: communication skills, motivation, self-leadership

#### INTRODUCTION

Education is a major factor in the personal development of humans. Several studies related to soft skills show that Grade Point Average (GPA) can only describe the quality of a person in the cognitive aspect and cannot indicate a person's qualifications in relation to soft skills, also called social skills (Puliam, 2008). Harvard University revealed that the success of one's career is 80% determined by soft skills and only about 20% determined by hard skills. The survey of the Association of College Employers (NACE), USA 2002 in (Wanarto, Guntur Budi., 2014) taken by 457 leaders in America showed that out of about 20 important qualities possessed by successful people, the result was mostly soft skills, and only two of them considered it to be hard skills (Kuswara, 2008). Looking at the research results above, demanding education including in relation to midwifery to prepare graduates will mean that they not only have academic achievements with a high GPA score but also have skills ready to use in the world of work.

Besides mastering the academic and technical skills of midwifery, midwifery students must also have communication and leadership skills. The importance of soft skill mastery when the midwife enters the world of work should use the midwifery education institution to design a soft skills development program as a means of building work ethics

with the students that is included in the direct learning within the community (Suryani, 2015).

Students, as the next generation of the nation, must have the ability, skills and a personality that is strong and polite. Soft skills are skills that can form a formidable personality. The more soft skills that a person possesses, it is expected that they will have a stronger personality when facing challenges of the learning process on campus, work challenges, and other life challenges. Soft skills are a person's skill in dealing with others. College graduates expect that the workforce should have positive soft skills, a strong attitude, are honest, passionate, able to work together, polite in communicating, good at negotiating, have a high work motivation, are creative and adaptable, and so are able to work intensively.

"The Lessons from The Top" written by Thomas J. Neff and James M. Citrin (1999) in (Wirawan, 2013) says that the key to success is determined by 90% soft skills and only 10% is determined by hard skills. The Ministry of National Education's study in 2009 states that one's success in education is 85% determined by soft skills.

The Sutomo Midwifery major is one of the educational institutions that implement an educational program with the vision of producing competent midwives who are independent and are able to compete in the

global era. bv upholding values professional ethics. To realise that, the students are required to have both hard skills and soft skills that can be demonstrated by the abilities of the students in relation to leadership skills, communication skills, the ability to interact, to not procrastinate on tasks and many other things. The most recent fact is that the majority of students still limited with just the hard skills that are shown by their academic achievements, with less care given to their soft skills. Observations have found recently that students often (65%) delay on their task completion, and that 70% of students tend to learn only when faced with exams have bad time management and a lack of commitment in performing their duties as a student.

Various steps can be undertaken to improve soft skills such as leadership skills and student communication skills in the practice of physiological midwifery care. The novelty of this research is to create a development of self-leadership model strategies to improve leadership communication skills. From the previous research, the ability of self-leadership is an important variable in relation to performed improvement measured in quantity. In this research, it is assumed that there are motivational variables that can improve the ability of self-leadership strategies as an effort to improve various positive aspects that impact on the increase of students' soft skills, especially leadership skill and communication skills in the physiological delivery practice (Wanarto, Guntur Budi., 2014).

### MATERIALS AND METHODS

This research type is observational and explanatory. The first stage used a cross-sectional design and the second stage used a quasi-experimental approach. The subjects of the study were vocational students of the Dr Sutomo Midwifery course on Surabaya; the first stage consisted of 130 respondents taken by purposive sampling. The second stage sample was 38 respondents taken by random sampling. The exogenous variables were motivation, self-leadership strategies, job satisfaction, psychological empowerment, self-efficacy, and task commitment, while the endogenous variable was communication skill.

The instrument used was a questionnaire. The data collection procedure in the first stage began with an explanation of the research objectives and the willingness to become a respondent as evidenced by the provision of consent. Furthermore. informed respondents were given a questionnaire to explore data about all of the variables. The second stage began with the giving of informed consent. Before the students performed clinical practice, a pre-test on all of the variables was conducted. This was followed by two days training in selfleadership strategies. The control group was not given any training. Both groups then performed physiological midwifery care clinical practice for 1.5 months. After 1.5 months, both groups performed a post-test. The further data obtained was analysed descriptively and inferentially; the first stage using PLS and the second stage using a Wilcoxon test with value  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

### **RESULTS**

# The First Stage Results: Analysis of the Structural Models (Inner Model)

In the structural model analysis, the effect of the exogenous factors on the endogenous factors was tested. The reference value used was that if the T-statistical value of the processing was greater than the T-table value, then it was concluded that the exogenous factors have a significant effect on the endogenous factors. Error tolerance ( $\alpha$ ) = 5% and total data 130 then the value of T-table =  $T_{(df=n-1;\alpha/2)} = T_{(129;0,025)} = 1,96$ . The results of the significance test are described in the following table.

Table 1 shows that each exogenous variable has a significant effect on an endogenous variable, except for the job satisfaction variable and leadership skill, task leadership commitment and skill. psychological empowerment and communication skill. psychological empowerment and leadership skill, selfefficacy and communication skill and selfefficacy and leadership skills. Furthermore, the insignificant relationships were omitted. The final model was formed from the new Tstatistics value, and the details are in the following table 1.

Table 1. T-Test Result of the Exogenous Latent Variable to the Endogenous variables and Line Coefficient Parameters in the Early Structural Model (Inner Model)

No	Line	Original Sample (O)	T Statistics ( O/STERR )	T Tabel	Information
1	(X1) Motivation $\rightarrow$ (X2) Self leadership strategies	0.566	21.684	1,96	Significant
2	(X1) Motivation → (X3) Psychological empowerment	0.805	36.230	1,96	Significant
3	(X1) Motivation $\rightarrow$ (X4) Job Satisfaction	0.759	31.692	1,96	Significant
4	(X1) Motivation $\rightarrow$ (X5) Self efficacy	0.588	15.661	1,96	Significant
5	(X1) Motivation $\rightarrow$ (X6) Task commitment	0.261	6.106	1,96	Significant
6	(X1) Motivation $\rightarrow$ (Y1) Communication skill	0.274	3.334	1,96	Significant
7	(X1) Motivation $\rightarrow$ (Y2) Leadership skill	0.711	11.212	1,96	Significant
8	(X2) Self leadership $\rightarrow$ (X3) Psychological	0.133	5.001	1,96	Significant
9	(X2) Self leadership $\rightarrow$ (X4) Job Satisfaaction	0.231	7.475	1,96	Significant
10	(X2) Self leadership $\rightarrow$ (X5) Self efficacy	0.214	4.544	1,96	Significant
11	(X2) Self leadership $\rightarrow$ (X6) Task commitment	0.137	6.670	1,96	Significant
12	(X2) Self leadership $\rightarrow$ (Y1) Communication skill	0.173	4.174	1,96	Significant
13	(X2) Self leadership $\rightarrow$ (Y2) Leadership skill	0.337	7.396	1,96	Significant
14	(X3) Psychological → (X6) Task commitment	0.135	4.109	1,96	Significant
15	(X3) Psychological $\rightarrow$ (Y1) Communication skill	-0.020	0.477	1,96	Not Significant
16	(X3) Psychological $\rightarrow$ (Y2) Leadership skill	-0.053	0.938	1,96	Not Significant
17	(X4) Job Satisfaaction $\rightarrow$ X6) Task commitment	0.306	6.224	1,96	Significant
18	<i>X4) Job Satisfaaction</i> $\rightarrow$ ( <i>Y1) Communication skill</i>	0.297	4.808	1,96	Significant
19	(X4) Job Satisfaaction $\rightarrow$ (Y2) Leadership skill	-0.060	0.600	1,96	Not Significant
20	(X5) Self-efficacy $\rightarrow$ X6) Task commitment	0.217	6.824	1,96	Significant
21	(X5) Self-efficacy $\rightarrow$ (Y1) Communication skill	0.009	0.252	1,96	Not Significant
22	(X5) Self-efficacy $\rightarrow$ (Y2) Leadership skill	-0.033	0.565	1,96	Not Significant
23	(X6) Task commitment $\rightarrow$ (Y1) Communication skill	0.244	2.968	1,96	Significant
24	(X6) Task commitment $\rightarrow$ (Y2) Leadership skill	-0.075	0.630	1,96	Not Significant

Tabel 2. T-Test Result of the Exogenous Latent Variable to the Endogenous variables and Line Coefficient Parameters in the Finale Structural Model (Inner Model)

No	Line	Original Sample (O)	T Statistics ( O/STERR )	T Table	Information	
1	(X1) Motivation →(X2) Self leadership strategies	0.566	23.108	1,96	Significant	
2	(X1) Motivation → (X3) Psychological empowerment	0.805	38.621	1,96	Significant	
3	(X1) Motivation $\rightarrow$ (X4) Job Satisfaction	0.759	29.006	1,96	Significant	
4	(X1) Motivation $\rightarrow$ (X5) Self efficacy	0.588	14.551	1,96	Significant	
5	(X1) Motivation $\Rightarrow$ (X6) Task commitment	0.262	6.335	1,96	Significant	
6	(X1) Motivation $\Rightarrow$ (Y1) Communication skill	0.264	3.898	1,96	Significant	
7	(X1) Motivation $\rightarrow$ (Y2) Leadership skill	0.549	19.940	1,96	Significant	
8	(X2) Self leadership $\rightarrow$ (X3) Psychological	0.133	5.627	1,96	Significant	
9	(X2) Self leadership $\rightarrow$ (X4) Job Satisfaaction	0.231	6.879	1,96	Significant	
10	(X2) Self leadership $\rightarrow$ (X5) Self efficacy	0.214	4.499	1,96	Significant	
11	(X2) Self leadership → (X6) Task commitment	0.136	5.954	1,96	Significant	
12	(X2) Self leadership → (Y1) Communication skill	0.172	4.180	1,96	Significant	
13	(X2) Self leadership $\rightarrow$ (Y2) Leadership skill	0.288	7.249	1,96	Significant	
14	(X3) Psychological → (X6) Task commitment	0.135	4.103	1,96	Significant	
15	(X4) Job Satisfaaction → X6) Task commitment	0.306	6.485	1,96	Significant	
16	X4) Job Satisfaaction → (Y1) Communication skill	0.296	4.427	1,96	Significant	
17	(X5) Self-efficacy $\rightarrow$ X6) Task commitment	0.217	7.514	1,96	Significant	
18	(X6) Task commitment $\rightarrow$ (Y1) Communication skill	0.245	2.750	1,96	Significant	

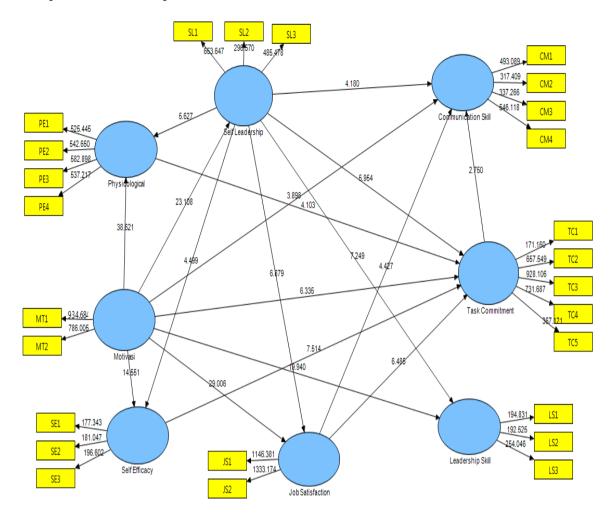


Figure 1. Finale Inner Model

### Goodness of Fit Index (GoF)

The last one was to found to have the value of Goodness of Fit (GoF). In contrast to CBSEM, for GoF, the values in PLS-SEM must be searched manually. The formula is:

$$GoF = \sqrt{\overline{AVE} x \overline{R^2}}$$
 ......Tenenhaus (2004)

The calculation of the average AVE is 0.952511, while the average R2 is 0.676291, so the value of GoF is 0.802605

According to Tenenhaus (2004), GoF small value = 0.1, GoF medium = 0.25 and large GoF = 0.38. Since the GoF value in this study was 0.802605, the GoF value was large.

### The Second Stage Statistical Analysis Result

In the second stage, the data were analysed using the Wilcoxon Statistics Test, and the results obtained are shown in Table 3. From these results, it indicates that the training given to the students about the development of self-leadership capabilities based on student

motivation can improve the various positive aspects that can support the implementation of the learning process, especially the clinical practice of physiological midwifery care.

### **DISCUSSION**

The development of self-leadership skills and the student skill model explains that motivation can improve the students' selfleadership strategies in the clinical practice of physiological midwifery care. This is in accordance with (McCanse, 1991) in Wirawan (2013) which stated that motivation is an important element in leadership. Wirawan (2013) explained that motivation plays an important role in leadership, which will encourage individual motives to act. Without motivation, people will not act, move and well for themselves work or for organisation. High and low individual motivation determines high level of effort and a variety of individual behaviours. Motivation can improve the students' job satisfaction in

Table 3. Results of the Pre- and Post-Data Analysis Training of Self Leadership Capability Development In Students of Midwifery in Sutomo Surabava

$\overline{\mathbf{N}}$	Variable	Pre			Post					Inf	
0	Variable	Min	Max	Mean	<u>+</u> SD	Min	Max	Mean	<u>+</u> SD	- р	1111
1	Motivation	1.10	2.30	1.39	.37	2.80	3.70	3.07	.19	0,00	sign
2.	Self leadership	1.06	2.25	1.33	.39	1.95	3.63	2.88	.34	0,00	sign
3.	Job satisfaaction	2.00	3.18	2.26	.39	2.18	3.53	2.73	.35	0,00	sign
4.	Psychological empowerment	1.08	2.42	1.43	.42	2.42	3.58	2.89	.29	0,00	sign
5.	Self efficacy	128 0	135 0	1301.8	19.29	107 0	164 0	1397.9	133.4	0,01	sign
6.	Task commitment	2.14	2.52	2.24	.116	2.79	3.83	3.14	.25	0,00	sign
7.	Leadership skill	2.00	3.11	2.29	.330	2.11	3.11	2.51	.29	0,00 8	sign
8.	Comunication skill	2.00	2.40	2.11	.122	2.44	3.81	2.89	.280	0,00	sign

the midwifery practice. This is consistent with the statement by Wirawan (2013) which describes that motivation will increase the stability of work. This is where individuals who have a high work motivation will have high job satisfaction. According to David McClelland in Wirawan (1991), it was stated that motivation is a need for achievement as a state of the individual's internal drive to how much success reflects an important and valuable focus for a person. These factors can lead to job satisfaction and a willingness to work harder. If these factors exist, they will encourage more effort, but if they do not exist, then it will result in job dissatisfaction.

There is the motivation to improve the psychological empowerment in student's midwifery practice. According to Spreitzer Utami & Hargono (2016), (1995) in psychological empowerment refers to the experience of the individual's intrinsic motivation based on the individual's orientation to their job role. Psychological empowerment is not a fixed personality attribute. It consists of the cognition formed by the work environment. Various thoughts about psychological empowerment have evolved, including in the work of Conger and Kanungo (1988), Thomas and Velthouse (1990) in Spreitzer (1995) in Utami & Hargono (2016). Motivations can improve the student's selfefficacy in midwifery practice. This is in accordance with the statement of Victor Vroom (1964) in Wirawan (2013), which states that work motivation relates to a person's faith or beliefs about effort, so the effort involved will produce the expected output. The theory of motivation according to

Vroom is famous for the Expectancy Theory or the theory that states that the individual's perception of the possibility that an effort will lead to the achievement of a predetermined level of performance. If the expectation equals 0 (zero), then it is not possible to reach the level of performance that has been set. Expectation equals one if the person is 100 percent sure that they can achieve the specified performance. A person with self-efficacy is the belief of someone who is able to do or complete a task.

Motivation improves a student's taskcommitment in the midwifery practice. This is consistent with the motivational theory of McClellan in Wirawan (2013), which stated that motivation is the need for achievement. where the need for achievement is a need to achieve something difficult. This is often to master, manipulate, or organise physical objects, human beings, or ideas. This also quickly involves doing so as independently as possible, to solve obstacles and to obtain a high standard, to excel yourself. It also means to increase self-esteem implementing talents successfully. According to McClelland, someone who has a high level of achievement has three characteristics, namely: he or she have a strong desire to take personal responsibility, tend to set a medium goal when faced with difficult situations and they have a great desire to get a better level of performance.

There is the motivation to improve the student's skill in leadership in the midwifery practice. This is in accordance with McCanse 1991 in Wanarto, Guntur Budi (2014), which states that motivation is an important element

in leadership. Wirawan (2013) explains that motivation plays an important role encourage leadership, which will individual motivation to act. Without motivation, people will not act, move and work well for themselves or for the organisation. Katz & Kahn (1978) argue that leadership is an increase of the gradual influence on and above the mechanical adherence to routine organisational briefings. Leadership is the process of influencing the activities of a group that is organised towards the achievement of goals (Rauch, 1984). Many studies focused on leadership skills are discussed from various perspectives that have been conducted by the researchers. Leadership is a behaviour with a specific purpose to influence the activities of group members to achieve common goals designed to provide individual and organisational benefits (Cheok San Lam, 2012).

Communication skills are one of the parameters of soft interpersonal skills, which are a skill that is used for oneself and relates to others, cooperating with other groups, and so on. To be able to connect with other people requires a good communication process. For communication to run well by the set purpose, have the person must ability communication skills to do so. Based on the results of the National Association of Colleges and Employers NACE, 2002 in (Wanarto, Guntur Budi., 2014), the survey cited by Wanarto (2014) explained that there are 19 capabilities needed in the job market, which is where communication skills occupy the first necessary urgency. According to Hasibuan (2005), their study states that motivation is important because motivation is the cause, channel and support of human behaviour, so they must be willing to work hard and be enthusiastic to achieve the optimal results. Midwifery students are midwives who have the role of giving midwifery care to the client, hence needing the communication skill.

The self-leadership strategy can improve the student's sense of job satisfaction in physiological obstetric care practice. Students who have good self-leadership abilities will feel satisfied with the task of implementing the practice of physiological midwifery care. This is in line with the results of Sri Utami's (2016) study that found that self-leadership strategies can improve the midwife's job satisfaction in implementing the

early detection of the growth drift of toddlers. The results of this study also support the results of Politis's research (2006) which found a direct relationship between the dimensions of the strategy focused on self-leadership behaviour with positive and statistically significant work satisfaction. The results of Yutthana's research (2010) explains that self-leadership has a direct effect on job satisfaction. This is consistent with US research studies that have found a correlation between self-leadership training and its positive impact on employee job satisfaction Neck & Manz, 1996 (in Yutthana, 2010).

Self-leadership can improve students' psychological empowerment in the practice of physiological obstetric care. Students with a good self-leadership strategy also have high psychological empowerment. It can be explained that each self-leadership strategy has its own role. The constructive thought patterns strategies which associated with psychological empowerment are designed to facilitate the formation of constructive thinking and thinking in a positive way (Neck & Manz, 2010). This is in line with the results of Sri Utami's (2016) study which explains that self-leadership strategies can improve the psychological empowerment of midwives in implementing the early detection deviations in child growth development. Psychological empowerment is a predictable outcome of self-leadership. Selfleadership has been established as the main mechanism to facilitate empowerment by creating perceptions of meaning, purpose, selfdirection/self-determination, and competence. Natural rewards from oneself can encourage feelings of self-direction, competence, and setting their own goals (Wirawan, 2013).

Self-leadership improves the students' self-efficacy in the practice of physiological obstetric care. Students with good self-leadership strategies have high self-efficacy. The results of this study support the results of (Utami & Hargono, 2016), whose research states that self-leadership strategies can improve the self-efficacy of midwives in implementing the early detection of child growth drift. The results of this study also support the research conducted by Prussia et al., (1998) in (Yutthana C, 2010) in his study of 151 employees; the results obtained showed that self-leadership has a positive effect on self-efficacy. Yutthana (2010) explained that

self-leadership has a direct effect on self-efficacy. The use of some strategic self-leadership will affect the perception of self-efficacy in a particular task.

Self-leadership can increase the task commitment of students in the midwifery care practice. Students with good self-leadership skills are committed to their high tasks as well. Commitment is the outcome of self-leadership; individuals who have strategies in self-leadership often develop a sense of belonging to their tasks and work processes. The result state that individuals can lead themselves, and that they are highly committed to their tasks and goals, both at the individual, team and organisational level, compared to individuals who cannot apply self-leadership (Wirawan, 2013).

Self-leadership increases leadership skills according to Blanchard K., Susan F, Laurie H (2006). The study explained that the earliest level of leadership is self-leadership followed group/team leadership. bv organisation leadership, and the last is community/society leadership. This stage will be passed through by everyone, only the speed of each person through these stages varies. This is why there are people who, at a young age, have been able to reach a high level of leadership, but on the other hand, there is still slow development involved. Self-control is to conquer and control yourself. Those who understand others are wise; he who knows himself is intelligent. He who overpowers others is strong; he who beats himself nobly (Kaswan, 2013).

increases Self-leadership communication skills in the midwifery practice. According to Kaswan (2013), communication skills are needed in every individual, especially for those who work in an organisation company. or A communication skills can make it easier for individuals to convey their bright ideas to their superiors, co-workers and subordinates. Many people can explore ideas in their thoughts or imagination, but few people can effectively communicate their thoughts and imaginations their superiors, co-workers subordinates. Communication skills require the ability to be able to know other people, but the most important requires the ability to know oneself. A person will be able to recognise and control themselves if the individual has good self-leadership skills.

Job satisfaction can improve task commitment; this is in line with the results of Sri Utami's (2016) study which explains that job satisfaction can improve the task of a midwife in implementing the early detection of deviations in child growth and development. (Wibowo, 2013) explained that there is a relationship significant between job satisfaction with commitment. Managers are advised to increase job satisfaction to generate higher commitment. Furthermore, higher commitment can facilitate higher productivity. The level of employee satisfaction can lead to commitment. Otherwise, employees feel dissatisfied, it leads to smaller commitment, which can then affect the efforts of the employees (Lijan, 2016).

Psychological empowerment can increase the task commitment in the practice of physiological midwifery care, where psychological students who have high empowerment will have a high level of task commitment as well. Scott et al., (2011) found strong relationship between intrinsic motivation and affective commitment. meaning that the psychological dimension of empowerment has a role in increasing affective commitment. Also, meaningful feelings, competencies and impacts tend to increase individual commitment to organisation, as they will further enhance the ability of the individuals to express their values and interests through their work. Psychological empowerment is an intensive form of work regardless of the addition of rewards or salaries.

Psychological empowerment does not improve the students' communication skills in the midwifery practice. This is not in accordance with Rober Moss Kanter (1977) directed by Wirawan (2013), which states that empowerment empowers people to operate in unfavourable situations in an organisation. The psychological empowerment of the individual will produce positive things, namely improving the work, work processes, sharing knowledge and skills and experience.

Psychological empowerment can improve the work process. Someone in work or doing a set job process will need to interact with others. For communication to work effectively, one must have good communication skills. Mardatillah (2016) explained that communication skills are required by every individual, especially for

those who work in an organisation or company. A person's communication skills can make it easier for individuals to convey their brilliant ideas to their boss or colleagues. With good communication skills, it will be easy to tell the ideas better so then it can be accepted. Although in this study, psychological empowerment cannot improve student skill communication. but psychological empowerment improvement is still very necessary because psychology can have a positive impact towards increasing of the other variables that can improve performance.

Psychological empowerment does not improve student skill leadership in the midwifery practice. This result is not in line with Wirawan (2013), who states that empowerment is one aspect of organisational development concerning human resource development. Empowerment means making allowing or permitting either one's own initiative or that of others. Empowerment is an interactive process based on synergism, not from zero assumptions about power. The empowerment process enlarges power in the opposite situation by merely redistributing power.

Individuals who have their own perception are highly empowered as they have a broad view of the future. Wirawan (2013) declared that empowerment aims to describe which have the characteristics of humans having views about the world and their selfconcept accurately, seeing themselves as having a benefit/use, having the ability to do something, knowing the meaning of someone sought, and progressing in life, being able to see the reason for the output and to evaluate in a compelling way. Finally, empowerment can envision the success that is capable of carrying meaningful activities, out concentrating flexible efforts, initiating actions and interactions.

Although the results of this study indicated that psychological empowerment could not improve leadership skills, for educational institutions or other organisations, it is very important to keep improving the psychology of the students or employees in the organisation. This is because many positive outcomes can be generated from good or high psychological empowerment. According to Sri Utami's (2016)research, psychological empowerment affects increasing commitment and performance either directly

or when mediated by the task commitment variable.

Self-efficacy can increase the student's commitment task in the midwifery practice. Students with high self-efficacy have high task commitment. A person with high self-efficacy will try to accomplish their tasks with various amounts of efforts; they will face obstacles that they will encounter that will not make them give up. A person with high self-efficacy will tend to set themselves goals that are more challenging, and they will be more committed to the goals of the task performed. Conversely, someone with low self-efficacy will easily give up when faced with challenges or difficulties (Bandura, 1986).

Self-efficacy does not improve the students' communication skills the midwifery practice. Lack of access to media, unavailability to use the media, the individual's educational level. language used in dissemination were some of maior factors hindering communication to the youths (Judy, Box, & Box, 2015). In persuasive communication, the role of the communicator is very important and influential. Thus, it must have a highperformance value. A communicator who has a high-performance value can be characterised by readiness, sincerity, trust, tranquillity, friendliness and simplicity in conveying the message. With a high self-efficacy, one will be sure to achieve the communication objectives that he has set. In this study, however, most of the students' communication skills in the practice of physiological obstetric care are mostly in the insufficient category, as well as self-efficacy also being in the insufficient category. There is an effort to improve both of these factors so that students have high-quality soft skills too because communication is one of the soft skills (Hassan et al., 2013).

Self-efficacy can not improve student skill leadership in the midwifery practice (Study et al., 2017). This is not in accordance with Agus Mulyanto (2011), who in their study stated the factors that influence teacher leadership in key learning, and that leadership qualities are superior if they have at least 8 to 9 of the best leadership qualities. One of these is always positive thinking. According to Bandura, self-efficacy is the self-perception of how well the self can function in certain situations. Bandura 1991 in (Utami, Hargono, & Susilaningrum, 2016) stated that

individuals who have high self-efficacy would achieve better performance because these individuals have strong motivation, clear goals, stable emotions and the ability to deliver performance in relation to a successful activity or behaviour. Individuals with high self-efficacy have the following characteristics: able to handle problems they face effectively, confident of success in dealing with problems or obstacles, problems are seen as a challenge that must be faced and not avoided, believe in the abilities they have, quickly rise from the failure they face and like to seek new situations.

In this study, it obtained results that stated that most of the respondents have moderate self-efficacy up to high, but when viewed in relation to leadership skill, most are in the less and moderate category. This shows that high self-efficacy must be accompanied by other variables to equal good leadership skills. Self-efficacy or beliefs about selfesteem can lead to overconfident attitudes. Sri Utami's (2016) attitude about overconfident is that someone's self-esteem can cause the person to become negligent to their duties and responsibilities; this causes a person's performance to no longer be maximised.

Job satisfaction improves the student's skills in communication in midwifery practice. In accordance with Frederick Herzeberg (1959) cited by Wirawan (2013), it states that the factors of job satisfaction are a good initial input to develop a model of job satisfaction. Job satisfaction and job dissatisfaction are caused by several factors or dimensions that cause satisfaction or dissatisfaction in relation to work. If the perception of the employees or individuals towards the dimensions of the cause of job satisfaction is positive, then the individual will feel satisfied, and vice versa.

Job satisfaction does not improve the students' leadership skills in the midwifery practice. The results of this study are in accordance with the results of the meta-analysis by Organ and Ryan (1985) in Wirawan (2013), who found no relationship between job satisfaction and leadership effectiveness. This is not in accordance with the opinion of Lijan P.S. (2016), who stated that job satisfaction would lead to employee commitment. One of the characteristics of effective leadership is that a leader has a high commitment both to the task and to the organisation. According to Benard M. Bass

(1990) cited by Wirawan (2013), their study suggests a list of attributes that leaders possess as a result of the research conducted between 1948 and 1970 to do with high task motivation. Someone with high satisfaction will have a high commitment to work, innovate and be creative. These are all characteristics of an effective leader. Although in the research study, job satisfaction cannot improve leadership skills, but the two variables should still be improved in the midwifery students. Job satisfaction owned by the students must be accompanied by the commitment and high responsibility because high job satisfaction and is an important attitude in relation to leadership skills.

Task commitment improves students skills in midwifery care. Communication skills are important in building a successful relationship within both personal and professional relationships. With good communication skills, it will produce an effective communication process. Relationships work well if built from a strong commitment to carry out promises, and how to respond to challenges. Mardatillah (2016) explained that commitment always reflects a strong sense of belief, sincerity and desire always to be willing to sincerely develop, maintain and work for the benefit of the organisation without wishing to not belong to the organisation.

Task commitment alone cannot improve the students' leadership skills in the midwifery practice. This is not in accordance with Benard M. Bass (1990) cited by Wirawan (2013), who suggests a list of attributes that leaders possess as a result of the research between 1948 and 1970 which has a firm stand against obstacles, responsibility for achieving results, and is task-oriented. These traits are characteristic of a person who commits to tasks.

### **CONCLUSIONS**

Self-leadership supported by motivation is an important first step in shaping leadership and communication skills. Self-leadership students will be able to improve their psychological empowerment, self-efficacy, job satisfaction, task commitment, communication skills and leadership skills. Job satisfaction and high self-efficacy from the students must be followed by high task

commitment as well. Without task commitment, self-efficacy and the iob satisfaction of the students cannot improve their communication skills. Motivation strategy, self-leadership and task commitment are three important factors in improving the student's skills in communication in the midwifery care practice. The development model of self-leadership and communication skills has been built based on motivation, selfleadership and task commitment through various channels. Training using the selfleadership module can improve the ability of strategies, job motivation, self-leadership satisfaction. self-efficacy, psychological empowerment, task commitment, communication and student leadership skills.

There needs to be an important effort to improve the student's learning motivation, giving opportunities to the student to develop their ability in developing a self-leadership strategy by giving them limited autonomy according to the tasks and responsibilities of the student, giving them responsibility in every activity to finish the tasks that are targeted and in the goals of the educational institution. The next researcher is expected to research about the other variables that influence selfleadership, leadership and communication skills. The model in this study can be used as an inspiration to develop the other variables to improve the communication and leadership skills. There needs to be further research done on the parameters and other indicators of the soft skills, such as relationship skills, presentation skills, public speaking skills and stress management.

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