FACTORS AFFECTING INVENTORY CONTROL IN PUBLIC HOSPITAL IN KENYA: A CASE OF KENYATTA NATIONAL HOSPITAL

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INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the study

It is vital to mention that the workforce is an important factor in driving any economy Arjanj, (2005) to realize the potential of a particular economy, the effort put by workers is inevitable thus training to provide knowledge and skills is very important. Inventory Control is the supervision of supply, storage and accessibility of items in order to ensure an adequate supply without excessive oversupply. It can also be referred as internal control - an accounting procedure or system designed to promote efficiency or assure the implementation of a policy or safeguard assets or avoid fraud and error (Vandenput, 2002).

A major component of effective inventory control is the ability to well define classification system, a consistent unit of measure, an efficient measures processes and a practical tracking and reporting system. (Joseph, 2005) was one of the leading pioneers to study stock control and the organizational factors that influenced stock taking. He argued that little emphasis had been put on the post-training phase and upon the identification of the variables which operated to those in the learning acquisition phase during the inventory control period (Huczynski et al. 2008).

(Lewin, 2004) developed a theory that an individual action can be explained by reference to the various forces acting on the individual at a given time and place. He surmised that if one could identify the forces and assess their potency, it would theoretically be possible to explain human actions. Organizational development consultants have taken Lewin’s ideas and applied them to an identification of why organizations perform the ways and at the levels they do.