

## **Abstract**

**Background:** Marianna Oranžská Psychiatric Hospital was established in 1954 and is an important device that operates in treating persons using psychoactive substances. The concept of the device was constantly modernized, modified and nowadays it is a facility providing a wide range of addiction services. The hospital has built a reputation and is sought after by clients from all over the Czech Republic.

**Aims:** Creation of a comprehensive description of the historical development of the facilities and services provided in the Marianna Oranžská Psychiatric Hospital from the establishment of the facility in 1954 to the present.

**Methods:** This bachelor's thesis used qualitative research, including a content analysis of historical sources and professional publications that were thematically related to the relevant facility. Data from historical sources were processed using open coding.

**Results:** In 1954 a Psychiatric Hospital was established in the village of Bílá voda with three wards, one of which was anti-alcohol. The first director of the hospital was MUDr. Bohumil Podařil until 1981, after which MUDr. Jiří Vařeka took his place. During his tenure, the concept of the hospital changed and the character of treatment became more like a detention center or an asylum. In 1986 MUDr. Eugen Skula became the director. During his tenure, care for non-alcoholic drug users was expanded and a department for addiction treatment for women was opened. MUDr. Petr Jeřábek, Ph. D. took over the post of director in 1993, and during his leadership, the operation of therapeutic communities belonging to the hospital was started and the facility was renamed the Psychiatric Hospital, which was dedicated to Marianna Oranžská. The current director of the hospital is MUDr. Pavlína Danielová, who continues to develop the concept of an important addiction treatment facility within the network of addiction treatment services. The hospital currently has six departments, four of which are designed as therapeutic communities.

**Conclusion:** The hospital went through several conceptual changes and constantly adapted to new modern psychiatric or addiction knowledge during its operation. The analysis of available documents contributed to the creation of an outline of the historical development of the entire facility from its inception to the present.

**Key words:** treatment, addiction, history, psychiatric hospital, addiction services