

## ABSTRACT

The topic of the thesis is the perception of perinatal loss by bereaved parents. Perinatal loss is a tragic event in the life of parents that is still taboo in our society and parents are not given enough support. Therefore, the aim of this paper is to describe the perception of perinatal loss through the eyes of bereaved parents, and to further outline the main needs, communication with the spouse, their family and immediate family, and support services used, with the intention of contributing to a greater understanding and awareness to guide support in the health and social care system.

Key words: perinatal loss, interpretative phenomenological analysis, palliative care, coping, mourning, support