

Abstract

The topic of the bachelor thesis is Weaknesses of state support for families caring for a child with disabilities. In the first part of the thesis the current state of the system of support for these families is mapped. Specifically, what benefits are provided and what social services are supposed to help them with their care. Then the main theoretical basis is explained, which is the theory of familism. The research methodology was conducted in a qualitative manner. The respondents, who were representatives from among parents who care for a child with disabilities, were selected using the snowball sampling method and there were 7 respondents in total. The final respondent was also an actor in the issue, specifically a member of parliament who sits on the social policy committee. Using in-depth interviews with eight different respondents, the different aspects of support to families, their advantages, but mainly their shortcomings are examined. This was first in the area of financial support and then in the area of social services. In the subsequent discussion, the whole issue is then discussed in the context of the theoretical framework of the thesis, i.e. the theory of familiarisation. The main findings of the thesis are in particular the information that for a large part of parents the amount of financial support is not sufficient and that social services in the Czech Republic are not adequately extended and that their cost, which parents have to pay, is one of the reasons why they do not use them.