

Summary

This diploma thesis reflects on the values and needs of patients in hospice care, and explores how these values and needs change as the disease progresses. The thesis aims to better understand what patients consider as important in their final phase of life. The content of the thesis is divided into a theoretical and research section. The theoretical part is divided into three chapters. The first chapter deals with the history of the hospice movement, to current palliative care and its legal framework in the Czech Republic. The second chapter defines the values in general terms and then focuses in particular on the importance of family values and Christian faith. The third chapter describes in detail the wide range of needs of patients in the terminal stage. The research section focuses on the qualitative analysis of specific cases and aims to contribute to a deeper understanding of patients' needs and values, which is essential for the provision of quality hospice and social care.

Keywords

Hospice care, values, needs, quality of life, life -threatening illness, family, Christian faith