

Summary

The bachelor thesis entitled *The Role of the Social Worker in Accompanying Foster Families* aims to map the scope of the role of the social worker in accompanying foster families in the Czech Republic. The theoretical section of this thesis describes the area of foster care in the system of social and legal protection of children, including the legislative framework. Furthermore, the area of accompanying foster families and this target group is described with a focus on its specifics. The theoretical section ends with a description of the role of the social worker in accompaniment, his/her competencies and a brief overview of new possibilities of support for the target group. The empirical section contains six selected case studies showing the extent and forms of support for foster families by the social worker. The findings are evaluated in the discussion.

Keywords

Surrogate family care, foster care, social-legal protection of children, accompaniment of foster families, social worker, role, competences