

The dissertation thesis deals with problems associated with dignified dying from the perspective of nurses and general public. In the theoretical part one can see the summarization of current knowledge pertaining to the subject. The concept of death, models of dying and the options of how to provide care for the dying are also discussed here. Furthermore, the thesis touches on the issue of euthanasia and the care of accompanying staff.

The empirical part is represented by quantitative assesment of results, which were gathered from respondents' answers to 16 questions in a submitted questionnaire. The studied sample consisted of nurses employed at The hospital of Královské Vinohrady's internal department and the random selection of respondents from general public.