## ABSTRACT OF BACHELOR'S THESIS

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Assessment of the Accessibility of Non-Online Clinics for

Tobacco Smokers in the Czech Republic

In the Czech Republic, there is a network of medical centers for the treatment of tobacco addiction. This network is supplemented by cooperating clinics for smokers. This thesis surveys the availability of these clinics for regular smokers, excluding intentionally the online help centers. The basic objective of the thesis is to survey the availability of such clinics in the individual regions of the Czech Republic and to test whether these clinics (listed in an online register) are actually active in providing services to potential clients.

The data used for this research were obtained via mystery shopping method using a set of strictly defined rules. Based on the research output and its analysis, the thesis presents a thorough assessment of the clinics' services to clients, e.g. whether they cater to clients coming from the particular region or whether they are open to any client regardless of his domicile. The survey also assesses

whether the clinics under examination fulfill the criteria for low-threshold facilities. The research pays particular attention to the ratio of the number of clinics to the size of the population in individual regions.

Based on this assessment, the thesis determines which region of the Czech Republic offers the easiest access to clinics for the treatment of smoking addiction and what the conditions and requirements for participation in the clinic's program are. The thesis concludes with an overall evaluation of the situation of the clinics for treatment of tobacco smokers in the Czech Republic.