

Abstract

Bachelor's dissertation „Hospice care from laymen's and nurses' perspective“ assesses laymen's and nurses' knowledge of hospice and palliative care. The dissertation is divided into two parts – theoretical and empirical. The theoretical part explains basic terminology, forms of hospice care and goals of this dissertational paper including history of hospice movement. It does not omit the conception of death by Elizabeth Kübler Ross and her contribution to the terminal patient's nurse care. This dissertation focuses on legislation and the knowledge of hospice and palliative care among laymen and nurses and then it compares and contrasts the hospice care between the Czech Republic and the world.

The empirical part sets the goals and working hypothesis for a research. Prime analysis is based on real data from questionnaires. Research outcomes help to understand the knowledge rate of hospice and palliative care among laymen and nurses.