

## **Abstract**

Preterm birth means the risk of having a variety of complications and low birth weight for an immature newborn. However, the issue of premature birth does not only concern the newborn and his/her health, but also the parental psyche, which is in many cases noticeably disturbed.

The presented bachelor thesis entitled "Organizations helping families with premature babies in the Czech Republic and abroad" deals with the system of support for newborns and their families in the Czech Republic and abroad. It describes the activities of individual organizations and identifies the differences between organizations active in the Czech Republic and then compares them with those operating abroad, specifically in Great Britain, Germany and the USA. To create a complex picture of the issue, part of the work is devoted to premature birth and its causes, premature newborn, complications and problems associated with this condition and, simultaneously, deals with the psychological state of the parents after premature birth, and dynamics of family life.

The work is carried out in the form of research, mostly aiming to map the emergence and development of these organizations from their establishment to the present and the outline of their functioning.

The result of the thesis is a comprehensive overview and comparison of existing organizations in the Czech Republic and abroad, which have also contributed significantly to the expansion and improvement of knowledge in the field of premature delivery in society.