## **Annotation**

Bachelor thesis deals with the topic of advance directive and the public awareness of this subject. The theoretical chapter is dedicated to the concept of advance directive and its content, legal standard, history, ethical aspect and existing research.

The practical part of the thesis focuses on research on knowledge of public at the age of 20 to 30 about the advance directive. At first the basic information about respondents is introduced, subsequently the analysis of research questions is performed and finally there is a discussion about the results of research compared to the results of research carried out by research agency STEM/MARK in 2015 and also with results of research in bachelor thesis by Adéla Kadeřávková in 2018.

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