Abstract

This bachelor thesis studies impacts of children drug addiction on family. Family, as a subject of my research, is represented as social unit that is negatively influenced by individual drug addiction of one of its child. On the basis of the change in essential family functions, all of possible impacts on family's wellbeing, which are resulting from the drug addiction, are being researched. This is for example issues relating to social isolation of the family, resocialization of the addicted member, change in the education style, impact on emotional household background or creation of security measurments due to dangerous and unpredictable behaviour. The theoretical part of the thesis is focused on defining the fundamental terminology about drugs and about family. The next part of the theory is focused directly on connection of drug addiction in family due to easier understanding of the issue and simpler interpretation of methodological part. To obtain profound and detailed data, which will help me to understand the causalities, I have chosen the method of semistructured interviews with a biographical aspect. The interview was carried out with a member of a family who has been sharing the same household with an addicted member. Thanks to the data analysis and following data interpretation I have come to a conclusion that drug addiction influences family in many different aspects. It affects emotional, social, psychological, economic and physical aspects of the household. The drug addiction is gradually becoming bigger and bigger obstacle, which family has to surpass through mutual cooperation and support.