

Abstract

Background: The topic of substance abuse by adolescents has long been relevant. Work and research has been devoted to this issue, but there are still many questions that need to be answered. The research questions were:

- 1) Were girls exposed to physical and psychological violence in connection with the use of addictive substances?
- 2) Were the girls provided with professional addictology care?
- 3) Were the girls treated in psychiatric wards and other non-addictology facilities?
- 4) Are the girls from the diagnostic institute able to reflect on the topic of addiction and look at it?

The aim of this work: analysis of the stories of girls from home care, research into the role of the topic of drugs in life stories, analysis of treatment and stay in home care and also outside the diagnostic institute. The key role of the whole work is played by reflection, the ability to see oneself in girls. The question of whether girls are able to learn from their mistakes, draw conclusions and follow them in the future after such negative experiences.

Methods: analysis using semi-structured interviews to describe in detail their life stories from the earliest childhood memories up to the present. Specifically, the interview is a suitable tool for achieving authenticity in the narration of the respondents.

Results: The obtained data were grouped into 4 categories Family Background, Environment, Addictive Substances and Reflection. The categories were described in detail with the addition of citations from interviews to link the theory with the practical side of the research.

Conclusion: A causal relationship and a close correlation were found between the use of addictive substances by girls from home care and the occurrence of violence in their lives. The girls were offered and provided with professional addictology care in various forms: groups, individual consultations. Almost all respondents were treated in other non-addictology facilities such as a psychiatric hospital. Girls are able to reflect on the topic of addiction.