

## **Abstract**

The aim of this bachelor's work is to propose a study, which explores the degree of the relationship between maternal anxiousness, sensitivity and their children's coping during the preoperative period. The literary part defines anxiousness and associated terms, other psychopathologic signs in mothers and their impact on the children's life, it also describes the development of a maternal attachment and its connection to maternal sensitivity. There are also mentioned factors, which can affect anxiousness or sensitivity in a specific stressful event (preoperative period) within the mother and the child. In the end a quantitative, exploratory study is proposed, which uses questionnaires to look into the degree of maternal anxiousness and the parental sense of competence as a sensitivity aspect in mothers, as well as the degree of preoperative anxiety in children, with the use of an observational method.

## **Keywords**

maternal anxiousness, attachment, coping, preoperative period, preoperative anxiety