

Abstract

The submitted dissertation of the PhD study programme Longevity Studies, Faculty of Humanites, Charles University, Prague was completed as a collection of the author's publications concerning the economic aspects of the long-term care in the Czech Republic. It deals with the contemporary problems on financing the inpatient follow-up care (after-care), long-term care, social care and home care. It is relying on the original data collected from the individual establishments during an on-site surveys and is seeking to bridge the gap caused by a lack of economic information on these types of inpatient care – less visible, but the more important.

The first articles (as well as the concomitant text) describe the demography of the population in the Czech Republic and the factors with the main influence/impact on these types of care. It's worth to notice that our people spend more than 9 years in chronic disease in comparison with the developed EU countries. And more – the tendency is deepening. The further articles bring unique results of an extensive cost analysis. This has been carried out in 61 establishments of the inpatient after-care with the total 8.768 beds in the Czech Republic and in the 72 home care agencies, covering the whole country. The enclosed tables give then the possibility to gain an authentic view on these serious problems of the Czech long-term care as well as the home care.

The final discussion indicate the way of their solution for the experts and the good practise.

Key words

Ageing of population – cost analysis – inpatient follow-up care – long-term care – home care.