

# Abstract

Diploma thesis "Mental health policy analysis in the Czech Republic in the context of European Union" deals with the present state of health care of psychiatric patients in the Czech Republic. Main theories for the thesis are quality of life, human rights, health determinants and support of mental health. Analysis of mental health policy shows that health care for psychiatric patients is mainly concentrated in psychiatric institutions. Advanced trends and recommendations described in the political documents issued by the European Union urge to transformation of service framework stressing the importance of health care differentiation and its move towards community care. At the end, health care framework for the Czech Republic fulfilling such requests and corresponding with the model of balanced care is described. Such a model is based on progressive health care movement from psychiatric institutions towards community care with regard on financial, personal and capacity resources of the state and region. The Czech Republic belongs to the states with average resource capacity thus such steps would lead to balancing institutional and community care and follows the line established by developed countries leading to larger and more differentiated health care framework.