

ABSTRACT

This thesis describes the preparation for leaving of institutional care clients the objective in areas of transition from residential state institution to ordinary life with respect to former client's experience is an evaluation of institutional care client's expectations. The theoretical part of this thesis is focused on residential state institution characteristics description, process by which the residential state institution clients are prepared for their normal life, dedication of experts responsible for an education who participates in this preparation process. To describe assistance and procedures for preparation of children for their normal life, abilities to find a housing, material security. The practical part of the thesis is focused on vision for student's future life, who are facing to the preparation for leaving in a future. It will be compared with the results of former client's expectations. Whereas the imagination hardly meets reality; the author would like to trace how big a difference between imagination and reality is.

Research shows that residential state institution prepares clients for independent living but with relative lack of practical experience. There are no obvious differences among children from orphanages and the other children. Clients have a lack of knowledge in housekeeping economy and awareness on finance as such. No matter they recently take part in project weekends. Children from orphanages and the other children have poor knowledge in food and energy prices but existing client's knowledge is not as bad as former client's knowledge. Orphanages should focus more on this area both groups need more experience in their dealings with the authorities. Persons living in a stable, long-term cohabitation or having a host family assistance had an advantage. They had a smooth transition to their normal life. One former client stated that she is missing a support or a mentor for assistance in her daily life situations.

KEYWORDS

Children's home, institutional education, personality of a client of a children's home, preparation for completion, forms of assistance in leaving the children's home