

Abstract

The bachelor thesis deals with the workload of nurses caring for COVID-19 positive patients. The **aim** of the questionnaire survey was to determine the workload of these nurses and to determine whether the workload of the Covid-type ward exceeds the workload of the standard non-Covid ward. Data collection took place in the inpatient, ICU and ARO wards of the Rudolf and Stefanie Hospital in Benešov, which cared for COVID-19 positive patients. The questionnaire survey took place from November 2021 to January 2022. The target group of respondents consisted of practical and general nurses. A data sheet created by Microsoft Excel was used for data processing, and STATISTICA CZ 12 was used for basic statistical analyzes and frequency tables.

From the **results** of the survey it was found that the share, resp. 73.44 % of respondents reported a rate of subjective experiences that matched congestion in Covid's department. 90.63 % of respondents reported a share of subjective experiences in the Covid department that corresponded to monotony. The share of the combination of subjective experiences of overload and monotony was stated by 67.19 % of respondents. 20.31% of respondents and 1.56% of respondents experienced an unfavorable workload in the ward with COVID-19 positive patients. It can be concluded that the feeling of time pressure is present in standard non-Covid wards and Covid wards when performing work, this factor leads to overload for respondents. Working in Covid's departments does not satisfy respondents, this factor leads to monotony. Respondents working in Covid's wards experience feelings of nervousness, oversaturation and fatigue leading to a stress response due to the increased workload. Respondents agreed on whether the work is affordable in the long run. The work is not long-lasting in the standard non-Covid department as well as in the Covid department.

Conclusion: The study itself confirmed the topicality of the issue and the need to focus on this issue in the future.