

## Abstract

Bachelor thesis „Perception of old age by caregiving professionals of assisted living facilities“ maps attitudes towards aging across care professional teams in assisted living facilities and students preparing for this profession. **The objective of this thesis** is to remove taboo associated with attitudes towards aging in care professional and comparison with attitudes of students of caregiving. **Theoretical section** defines caregiving professionals in assisted living facilities, clarifies concepts of perception and attitude. Furthermore it describes process of aging, standing of senior citizens in society and residence programs. **In empirical section** are presented results of this respective quantitative investigation in their relationship with established hypotheses. **Chosen Method** was czech standardized questionnaire Attitude to aging WHOQOL-AAQ supplemented with demographic questionnaire devised by author, which was distributed among caregiving professionals in two assisted living facilities in Prague and in Girls school among students of caregiving. **Results:** In this thesis were included 112 properly filled in questionnaires. From data arose positive attitude increasing with age of students of caregiving to aging. Next was found more positive attitude to ageing among caregiving professionals than among students of caregiving. **In conclusion** are pointed out strong and weak points of this respective empirical research, recommendation for further research and benefits for general practice.

## Keywords

Care; Caregiving profession; Senior citizen; Ageing; Old age; Perception of ageing