

ABSTRACT

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The rigorous thesis monitors patients' attitude towards asthma disease and its treatment. This thesis has been created on the basis of questionnaires distributed among patients in several ambulances and hospitals (allergology and immunology ambulance of MUDr. Mudruňková in Ústí nad Labem; allergology-clinical immunology department, department of internal medicine, pulmonary non-state medical institution of the Central Military Hospital in Prague; pulmonary department in The Motol University Hospital in Prague. All the patients received and filled up the same questionnaire.

The subject of this thesis was to find out the patients' awareness of their disease and the impact of such a disease on their daily life.

The patients' knowledge of the factors that can start the asthma attack was examined as well as whether they did identify symptoms of the oncoming spasm.

The patients were also inquired if they were able to cope with the asthma attacks and whether they were familiar with the technique and the way of dosing the pharmaceuticals.

The results of my study could draw the doctors' attention to deficiencies of the current practice and improve the subsequent feed-back between a patient and a doctor whereby she / he can contribute to better understanding of the patient.