

Abstract:

The aim of this thesis is to map the psychosocial characteristics of adolescents using drugs while subject to therapeutic intervention in connection with noticing changes in their identity.

The theoretical part is divided into three chapters. The first chapter cites the characteristic signs of adolescence relating to biological, cognitive, emotional and psychosocial developmental changes. The content of the second chapter is the formation of identity as a key theme of adolescence. In the third chapter, dedicated to the specifics of drug using in adolescence, themes relating to the origins of addiction, the roles of psychosocial factors and rehabilitation possibilities are discussed.

The empirical part presents the research, processed research data from Safety Line conversations on the theme of addiction, research data from questionnaires and conversations with 41 adolescent drug users who entered an educational-therapy stay in the Alternativa department, SVP Klíčov and research data from a case interpretation study.

Key words:

Adolescence -identity - drug use - therapy