Summary

The Duty of Confidentiality in Health Care (Section 99 of Czech Criminal Procedure Code and other provisions)

The aim of the thesis is to introduce the issue of medical confidentiality in Czech Republic. Although most stress is put on the connection with criminal law, the work also explains what medical confidentiality is and outlines some disputable points in this field as well as it further on mentions international treaties, statutes and other sources where the duty of confidentiality is incorporated. The thesis then shows medical confidentiality in connection with the matter of medical records and afterwards focuses on the exceptions when duty of confidentiality can legally be broken and finally a chapter is given to describe the questions of lability for breaching the duty of confidentiality in health care where criminal law consequences and disciplinary consequences are described. All the matters are discussed in the light of the Health Services Act (372/2011 Coll.) which came into force on April 1, 2012.