

## ABSTRACT

### ANALYSIS OF PHYSICIANS' MOTIVATION FOR TREATMENT AND SELF-TREATMENT WITH HOMEOPATHIC MEDICINES IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

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**Background:** This diploma thesis presents a continuation of the study of Eva Křivská who dealt with this topic in various regions of the Czech Republic. I was interested in the opinion of the physicians in the three selected towns of the Czech Republic.

**Aim:** The aim was to identify an attitude of the physicians to the homeopathic method of treatment. I tried to discover their opinion and to find out if they perform practical application of homeopathy. I was interested in what attitude appears in the other physicians, pharmacists and the patients as well.

**Methods:** The goal directed investigation with the physicians of different specializations was performed in the three towns of the Czech Republic (Kolín, Poděbrady, Hradec Králové). A questionnaire method was used, 78 physicians participated. The final file was screened by the frequency analysis.

**Results:** From the frequency analysis results we can see that the homeopathic education is missing in the 87,2 % of respondents, 72,3 % of them have never used homeopathy in their medical practice and 50 % of the physicians do not use to inform their patients about the possibility of the homeopathic medication. It results that the physicians utilize the homeopathic treatment in their medical practice minimum.

**Conclusion:** The analysis shows that in the majority of the Czech physicians there still remains a negative attitude to the homeopathic medication. It may be caused by the lack of information and knowledge in homeopathy. However, this finding is only a reference point, the sample of respondents was small. I suggest further research throughout this topic.