Abstrakt:

The theoretical part describes the history and theory in the zoo-rehabilitation and canis-rehabilitation, its use as a therapy to improve physical and mental health on specific examples in each of the health and social area. In the area of assistance dogs and introduces the history of the field, with the methodology of selecting an appropriate dog and its training for the disabled. For signal dogs describes the history, function as a guard dog health deterioration of the patient when a dog detects, for example. upcoming epileptic seizure, diabetic coma, etc. Deaf dog for his master's notes on the sounds, for which it is trained. In the use of the dog – the mediator shows the use of a different method of communication when the dog is a mediator between the client and the therapist. It is used in situations where they are unable to make contact with the client.

In the research section analysed the answers of helping dogs to questions posed in the questionnaire, and evaluated their experience with them. The questionnaire was, together with an accompanying letter handed over to organizations carrying out training to assist dogs. These organizations also have sent my cover letter with the questionnaire to its clients, and the clients themselves have filled in questionnaires and returned electronically. Next, I spoke to participants in a closed Internet discussion "Conference for owners of dogs and not only for them," named Woof with a request to fill out and return the questionnaire. The following are examples of case studies on the experiences of people with various disabilities, how to use dogs as a backend in social inclusion and co-existence with experience assisting dog.