

Abstract

This work deals with continuity of inpatient hospices and hospitals in the Czech Republic. In this issue i examine the status of inpatient hospices in the health system and in the social system, reflecting the taboo of death in continuity of care and alternatives of education in palliative care. The work consists of three main parts. The first part involves determining the aims of the work, a description of research methods, theoretical and value foundations and definition of basic terms associated with hospice care. In the second part i focus on the reflection of current situation of hospices in the Czech Republic. Based on the analysis of documents i describe the funding and legislative basis for hospices. The third part is based on qualitative research. Using expert survey, i examined the views of professionals working in hospices. i also analyze the gained knowledge and divide it into individual topics. The key findings include that the interviewed experts evaluate the continuity of hospices and hospitals as affirmative. Capacity of hospices and funding are ceasing to be the main problems. However in the Czech Republic is absence of system of palliative care and the integration of palliative care into general medical disciplines.