

Summary

This bachelor thesis entitled “The effect of family cooperation on quality of life of a senior with dementia at the Home and Short Stay Hospital of St Agnes the Czech“, is focused on the discovery of the significance of the cooperation between a senior's family and the personnel of the relevant social facilities. The level of this cooperation gets reflected in different areas of the senior care, and finally into the quality of seniors' lives. The term “senior dementia“ is being discussed, as well as some other relevant terms and topics. Further on, the bachelor thesis reports on various methods of senior care suitable for cooperation with the seniors' families, as are used by the employees of the Farní Charita Beroun Hospital. A project by this institution is also focused on here –the foundation of a supporting group which helps to encourage and cooperate the liaison between the employees and the families.

The practical part of the bachelor thesis is focused on how the employees of social facilities perceive the cooperation with the users' families and how they can make the care, as well as the seniors' life quality, better. For this purpose a qualitative method of half-structured dialogues was chosen to ask the respondents about the practice of the different ways of cooperation and its natural effect on seniors' lives.

Keywords

dementia, seniors with dementia, life quality, professional carers, families of seniors with dementia, social services documentation