Abstract

Title: Physical activities of persons with cerebral palsy

Main Goal: To assess whether selected probands with severe physical disabilities due to

cerebral palsy can take active part in selected sporting activities.

Objectives: 1) To characterize selected probands with cerebral palsy.

2) To procure special equipment for selected sporting activities.

3) To assess the possibilities of active participation of probands suffering

from spastic diparesis and spastic quadriparesis forms of cerebral palsy.

4) To design instruction methods for selected sporting activities.

Method: This bachelor thesis is an empirical-theoretical one. It exploits the method of

direct observation of sporting activities carried out by students with physical

disabilities.

Results: In this bachelor thesis, we have verified, based on the theoretical and

subsequent practical instruction of several sporting activities, such as

canoeing, skiing and sailing, that there are specific differences between

individual persons suffering from spastic diparesis and spastic quadriparesis

forms of cerebral palsy, depending on the severity and extent of their

disabilities. The factors limiting their ability to learn and take part in sporting

activities consist predominantly in orthopedic impairments affecting upper

limbs, together with sensory and perception disorders.

Keywords: physical disabilities, spastic quadriparesis, spastic diparesis, physical

activities, canoeing, skiing, sailing, cerebral palsy