

**Abstract:**

The aim of this thesis is to introduce basic facts about homeopathy, which is one of the most commonly used therapies among alternative treatments, and its use in obstetrics. The thesis is divided into a theoretical and a practical part. The theoretical part is an introduction to general homeopathy which is followed by an overview of the use of homeopathy during pregnancy, childbirth and during puerperium. Theoretical part focusing on homeopathy during pregnancy is divided into sections presentant individual problems that may occur during this period, and describes the possibilities of homeopathic treatment. The subsequent part describes how homeopathy may help before childbirth and during childbirth. In the next chapter ways of possible uses of homeopathy during puerperium are outlined. The practical part of the thesis investigates opinions on the use of homeopathy in obstetrics by doctors and midwives who work at labor wards. A survey was made through an anonymous questionnaire. The analysis of the research data shows that the views on the use of homeopathy in obstetrics differ greatly between the midwife research group and the research group of doctors-obstetricians. It is clear from the research that the use of homeopathy in obstetrics is more supported by midwives than doctors. However, according to the research, both groups evaluate their knowledge of homeopathy as insufficient. All the findings of the research are summarized in the recommendations for practice at the end of the thesis.

**Key words:**

homeopathy, childbirth, pregnancy, midwife, puerperium, alternative treatment