

Abstract:

The theme of my bachelor thesis is called "Awareness of women about endometriosis in the Czech Republic". The thesis consists of two parts - theoretical and practical.

In the theoretical part, I deal with the anatomy and physiology of female genitals. The next chapter focuses directly on endometriosis. Contains subchapters related to with the characteristics, origin, clinical symptoms, diagnosis, treatment, etc. Last but not least, I focus on the role of the midwife in the care of a woman with endometriosis.

In the practical part, I examined women's awareness of endometriosis. To collect the data, I used an anonymous quantitative questionnaire, which I shared using social networks. The questionnaire could be filled in by a woman of all ages living in the Czech Republic. 106 respondents took part in the research, who filled in a questionnaire in the period from 10 February 2020 to 9 March 2020.

Before starting the practical part, I set out hypotheses that I was able to confirm or refute thanks to the obtained questionnaires. My main goal was to find out how many women know what is endometriosis. Based on this goal, I set a hypothesis, which was confirmed and that more than half of the respondents know the disease. Because these are the days one of the most common gynecological diseases, I assumed that at least one of the respondents suffers from the disease. This hypothesis was confirmed, specifically 5 out of 70 respondents suffer from the disease. The hypothesis that each of the women knows at least one of the diagnostic methods was also confirmed to me. On the other hand, only 5.7% of respondents knew all the methods of diagnosis. The treatment hypothesis was also confirmed to me. I assumed that the greater half would know how endometriosis was treated. . Just 70% of respondents had a hormonal and 65.7% had a surgical one. Lastly, I assumed that almost everyone thinks or knows that endometriosis can contribute to infertility. The hypothesis was also confirmed. All of the respondents answered that it can affect fertility.

The output of my work is an educational brochure, which will serve as information material for the public. It is presented in the appendices at the end of the bachelor's thesis.

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