

The author talks in this assignment about informed consent used in acute cardiology. Firstly the explanation is used to show the main differences between the information given out to patients prior and after taking Convention for Protection of Human Rights and dignity of the Human Being with regard to the Application of Biology and Medicine. Then it points out the reasons behind why the informed consent was needed, its forms and related legalization. After that the theoretical and practical problems in use of this consent are discussed.

The methods used in the practical part are quantitative and qualitative such as questionnaires, patients' interviews on intensive units and cardiac ward and content analysis. The outcome from the information obtained is that the consent is not used correctly in practice. Also those patients expect the consultant to make the decision for them and they do not understand the significance of informed consent. Written consent does not match the expectation with regulation vyhláška č. 64/2007 Sb., o zdravotnické dokumentaci at all. Also they are too long, contains terminology which are not used by patients which leads to a misunderstanding. On the basis of these findings the reviews and recommendations are suggested.