

SUMMARY

ANALYSIS OF AN ATTITUDE OF THE DOCTORS IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC TOWARD THE TREATMENT WITH HOMEOPATHIC MEDICINES

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Background: The degree work developed as a study of doctors' attitude to homeopathics and treatment with homeopathic medicines. I was interested in opinions of doctor specialists of different branches all over the Czech Republic.

Aim: The work aim was to find out how and when doctors learnt about homeopathy, what their attitude towards homeopathy is, how much they use it, what effects it brought, and what attitude their colleagues, pharmacists and patients have. I also tried to bring the characteristics of questioned doctors.

Methods: Goal-directed research among doctors of different specializations in the Czech Republic by the questionnaire method. The research took place in surgeries in fourteen regions of the Czech Republic. The questionnaire was filled in by 124 respondents. The array underwent frequency analysis.

Results: From the analysis it emerges that 32 % of the doctors have a homeopathic education and 68 % don't have it. Almost 18 % of the male-doctors and 26 % female doctors are satisfied with homeopathic treatment results.

From the assessment of the characteristics of respondents it becomes evident that homeopathy is used more often by female doctors than by males. The respondents are mostly general practitioners or pediatricists.

Conclusions: The analysis has showed some interesting facts about the interpretation of homeopathy by Czech doctors and their personal assessment of patients treatment with homeopathic medicines. Because of the limited use of methodology, I consider my results and their interpretation as only illustrative. I suggest that the research of this topic continues.