

ABSTRACT

The focus of Bachelor thesis “*Professional foster parents as part of the substitutional family care system in the Czech Republic*” are a temporary foster care and professional foster parents in the Czech Republic. It describes a system of substitutional family care in the Czech Republic as well as the professional foster care as a new option of childcare for those children who cannot grow up in their biological families. The institution is initially described in general terms: where it comes from, how it is supposed to work, what goals it tries to follow, and how the foster works abroad. Then the work focuses on professional foster care in the Czech Republic, its current state, how it is perceived by professionals in the area of threatened children, and what are its future opportunities. In the end, it is evaluated using SWOT analysis, while the work also lists two possible future scenarios of the professional foster care in the Czech Republic.