

ABSTRAKT

The aim of this dissertation was to find out how does a woman experience infertility and how do women experience the process of assisted reproduction, communication with the personnel in the centres of reproductive medicine, relationships with their surroundings, family and friends.

This dissertation answers three main questions: How does a person experiences assisted reproduction? What kind of coping strategies they use to overcome the stress connected with assisted reproduction? How does an individual experience approach and communication skills of the personnel of a centres of reproductive medicine.

According to chosen topic of experiencing infertility I have chosen a qualitative research method in the form of case study. Basic strategy for sample selection was purposive (judgemental) sampling through centre of reproductive medicine. I have chosen grounded theory method for the data analysis. Standardized interview was made with every participant.

Findings of this qualitative research brings the understanding to person experiencing infertility. Those findings will contribute to more empathy understanding to patients and their partners during hard time in their life from health care professionals working in centres of reproductive medicine. The facts that emerged from this research forms a recommendation on communication with patient for health care professionals.

Key words: assisted reproduction, infertility, experience, communication