

ABSTRACT

The bachelor thesis called *Abuse of addictive substances by children and adolescents in context of their therapy in the Children's Psychiatric Hospital* is focused on experience of hospitalized girls with abuse of legal and illegal addictive drugs. The theoretical part deals with description of the target group. Furthermore it outlines warning signals, risks and factors of becoming addicted.

The practical part of the bachelor thesis surveys experience of the hospitalized girls with abuse of the addictive drugs. Furthermore it finds, when the girls started abusing the addictive drugs and why. The research file contained four girls hospitalized in the Children's psychiatric hospital. The research is carried out by means of semi-structured interviews. On the research questions, an analysis of interviews is made as well as their comparison to results of the ESPAD study.

It results from the research that the interviewed girls most often use cigarettes, alcohol and marihuana. The most of them stated experience with abuse of an additive substance till the age of 15 years. The surveyed group most often started abusing additive drugs among friends.

Regarding the gender homogeneity of the research sample it would be useful in the future to carry out a similar project with a boy group and to compare the results.

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