

Abstract

The aim of this work is to compare the goals and approaches of the Psychiatric Reform Strategy issued by the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic in 2013 with the the World Health Organization (WHO) strategic documents seen as representing current world trends in mental health care. Comparative case study was carried out, which included, in addition to the Psychiatric Reform Strategy, two mental health action plans published by the WHO. The main findings of my work are differences in approaches to mental health, where the psychiatric reform strategy only limits to the field of psychiatry and the recipients of its care, while the world trends that are reflected in the action plans, addresses this issue more complexly as a societal problem. In some respects, mental health policy in Czech republic is getting closer to the world trends, but the difference in approach to mental health is still noticeable.