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SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

A MULTIFACETED TREND

The paper addresses the issue of emerging practices of social entrepreneurship in Slovenia and their capacity to become alternative to classic market-based economy. Grounded on typology of social enterprises, two self-defined social enterprises are analysed – the first was established by for-profit enterprise, the second by public sector organisation. The analysis of both practices suggests the need to create a code of ethics for social entrepreneurs, which would undermine the expansion of unfair business and managerial practices. The second suggestion is the development of a certificate for social enterprise products and services, which would provide a needed transparency to organisations as well as customers. Thirdly, in Slovenia we have to encourage public discussion about open model of social entrepreneurship, which we adopted and which is already showing its first cracks.

KEY WORDS: social economy, open model, for-profit and non-profit, socwashing, socially responsible consumption.

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EDUCATOR'S PERSPECTIVE ON INDEPENDENCY AS A LAUNCH PAD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN RESIDENTIAL INSTITUTIONS

An analysis, carried out on the preparations for young people's independent living, is discussed; these preparations were undertaken in residential homes for delinquent secondary school students. The analysis is based on quantitative research and the emphasis is put on educators' perspective. Learning new skills which may be helpful to young people in the process of becoming independent is very important, not only for young people who have a home to go to apart from the residential home, but also for those who do not have this option at their disposal. A

variety of views from the educators' perspective are outlined in the research, all of which are important in order to achieve independence: living conditions in residential homes; skills that young people learn; advantages and disadvantages of residential homes; implementation of inclusion and integration in the outside environment; education; evaluation of young people when they are discharged from a residential institution. The results reveal that educators are aware of the importance of young people's achieving independence, and of the importance of good living conditions. Nevertheless, the paradigm for monitoring a young person's striving for independence and integration into the environment is not sufficiently detailed. What is more, no system regulations are in place for monitoring young people upon their discharge from residential institutions.

KEY WORDS: educational activity, social work centre, parental cooperation, discharge.

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PREPARATION OF OLDER PEOPLE FOR LIVING IN HOME FOR THE ELDERLY IN RURAL SETTINGS

In Slovenia, institutional care for older people is the most widespread form of care for older people, therefore being a unique challenge for social work. Despite a modest representation of social workers in the home for the elderly, their professional role is

important and takes place in different times, in which an older person deals with the institution. The paper shows, how residents experience a period before the arrival in a home and what kind of support they need to integrate into a new living environment. Attention is drawn to preparation time for the arrival in the home in three stages: before the admission in the home, at the time of arrival and after getting into the home. Findings for specific, Prekmurje environment, largely indicate a need for individualized work of social workers with the older people. Residents do not prepare themselves for living in the institution. The support and assistance of their family members is often not sufficient, so the role and importance of social work in such an environment is increasing. It is important that social workers are part of the preparations for admission into the home for the elderly, so it is important to continue research, evaluation and developing of this specific area of social work.

KEY WORDS: ageing, institutional care, admission procedures, rural settings, social work.

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THE COMPONENTS OF ABSTRACTS

THE LOGICAL STRUCTURE OF ABSTRACTS IN THE AREA OF SOCIAL WORK

The main purpose of this research was to find the most appropriate structure of abstracts in the area of social work, and develop guidelines for writing them. First, the components of abstracts published in journals were analyzed. Then the prototypes and improved abstracts were written and tested with a user study. The results show that it is possible to

determine the optimum structure for abstracts from the area of social work. This structure should follow the known IMRD format (introduction, methods, results, discussion).

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