

Prospects for social work in hospice and respite care for children

A social worker acts for individuals, families, groups and the social environments, that are in a difficult situation. It enables or facilitates accomplishment of aspirations and aims in life. It also strengthens capabilities of the social groups, persons, families to solve own problems and manage independently. In the families with an untreatable child, a social worker plays a special role. He or she is a driving force of changes in the family as well as is a foundation of multifaceted help and support. Sentences range of social work against the child and the family of the terminally ill is very wide. This requires a professional and comprehensive preparation for the roles of professional social worker and tasks. Social work in hospice care and respite places before using social challenges. Standards of social work in Poland are trying to meet the expectations and make far-reaching changes in this respect.