

Seminar "Interdisciplinary education to increase the safety of seniors"

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On June 17, 2021, the planned activity "Interdisciplinary education to increase the safety of seniors" took place within the PDP1 project. The seminar was held online due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The aim of the seminar was to comprehensively guide the participants through the issue of fraud committed against the seniors. The seminar was focused on prevention coordinators of regional police directorates. After the introduction to the issue, fraudulent behavior towards seniors was described on practical examples, and attention training was conducted during case studies.

The participants were acquainted with the procedure on how to train and pass on experience within their practice, in cooperation with regional authorities and in discussions with seniors organized to raise awareness in the field of fraud committed against seniors. Education in this area is necessary due to the aging population.

In the Czech Republic, a person who has reached the age of 60 is generally associated with the meaning of the word "senior". In most of the cases investigated, the victims are aged 75-90 years. Seniors are trusting, defenseless, lonely, willing to help others. It is precisely for these characteristics and their health and possibly mental state that they become a "suitable victim" of crime. Seniors belong to the group of particularly vulnerable victims.

The seminar "Interdisciplinary education to increase the safety of seniors" was attended by 32 listeners, mainly from the Police of the Czech Republic. These seminars will continue, always for a selected group (e.g. prevention coordinators of regional authorities, employees of the Post Office, etc.).