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Skuteczność kynoterapii w usprawnianiu komunikacyjnym dzieci z Zespołem Downa

## **SUMMARY**

### **Efficiency of kynotherapy in improving communication abilities of children with Down Syndrome**

Kynotherapy is currently enjoying growing popularity as a method of supporting the process of rehabilitation of children with disabilities. This is particularly true in the field of education. However, there is a notable absence of studies examining the effectiveness of this method.

This article attempts to assess the effectiveness of kynotherapy in improving communication with and between children with the Down syndrome. It represents a part of a survey conducted on a group of 88 children with intellectual disabilities using the panel method. The survey was conducted over a period of ten months. We analyzed five individuals with moderate degrees of intellectual disability and one with a great degree, involving a genetic defect resulting from the presence of additional chromosome 21 or parts thereof. The study demonstrated considerable and in some significant improvement in non-verbal and verbal communication, clearly indicating the effectiveness of this method.