Abstract

The daily life of prison deserves studies that investigate the diversity of interactions that take place within its walls. These interactions largely determine the climate that governs the centers and the possibilities offered by the prison of the treatment of inmates of both sexes. In our research on women prisoners and reintegration processes, we have noticed some peculiarities that may be useful in treatment. This is a national research, with a stratified sample of 599 inmates in second and third degree of compliance (we have obtained 538 valid questionnaires and 61 interviews) and 36 professionals. The information was collected in 2011 using a questionnaire and semi-structured interviews of inmates, along with a questionnaire for professionals of prisons. The analysis of the information gathered has caused us to observe the influence of the organization of prison personnel, their relationship with women prisoners, along with the relationships formed in prison, in the existing environment in prisons and the re-education process itself of prisons. It likewise shows how and in what ways the stay in prison can be a positive factor, enhancing the social, personal and emotional conditions that will facilitate the reintegration of prisoners and their return to life in freedom.

Keywords

Prison; female; human relations; community education; professionals from prison; prison welfare.