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The Civil Protection Young Rescuer Competition has certainly its place in preventive and educational activities of crisis management departments at district offices. It is one of the few effective forms and therefore very important how to prepare population for civil protection in the category of children and the young. Simultaneously it is linked to the interdisciplinary subject of the state educational programme Life and Health

Protection. In this year's first issue of Civil Protection journal PaedDr. Ľubomír Betuš, CSc. writes on new approaches to application of this interdisciplinary curriculum in the column of Helping the Schools in detail. The history of the competition dates back to 2003 when it loosely followed in a civil defence and sports competition. Since 2005 district offices has become its organizer. First year was officially organised in 1994 titled the Young Rescuer of Civil Protection Olympics under the patronage of the SR Civil Protection Union. The last competition before the COVID-19 pandemic was held in 2019 as the jubilee 25th year titled the Civil Protection Young Rescuer Competition. Read more on pages 10 to 11.

The Faculty of Security Engineering is one of the 7 faculties of the University of Žilina (UNIZA). As the only one faculty it provides comprehensive preparation of experts in the field of security, rescue services and crisis management in Slovakia. Present situation in society has more emphasised the need for these experts in state administration and self-government as well as in all fields of business activities. The faculty is active in the system of university education more than 60 years and has established its stable position in professional security community both in Slovakia and abroad. It has developed cooperation with educational and science and research institutions, bodies of public administration and business entities that are active in the given field. It intensively cooperates with bodies of crisis management and at the time of crisis situation it has been cooperative in reducing negative impact of the pandemic via its students and employees. Read more on pages 23 to 25.



In connection with occurrence of various diseases, infectious diseases in particular, the term of prevention is used for many years and in the last period very frequently. In these cases we comprehend prevention as a medical term primarily. From the point of view of an individual prevention is comprehended as a way of behaviour or as a set of activities that are aimed to reduce the disease occurrence probability, in case of infectious diseases to reduce infection probability or substantially reduce the effects of the given disease. We encounter the experts' recommendation from the field of health services, human biology, healthy nutrition and other while most of them appeal to the individual responsibility of each person for their health and health of their immediate family on the basis of knowledge and long-term experience. Read more on pages 53 to 55.

