

YOUTH CARE PLATFORM

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YOUTH CARE PLATFORM - 17TH SEPTEMBER 2015 IN KLAGENFURT (AT) REQUEST FOR YOUR INPUT

During the 4th meeting of the Special Youth Care Platform (SYCP) on the 28th of April 2015 we discussed "Transition in care - from institutionalized care to community based care". To feed the discussion we asked all delegations to prepare a small presentation, but due to lack of time we were not able to hear all contributions. Even more we felt it was really relevant to exchange more on local policies, cases, experiences. Therefor we want to elaborate more on this theme with some key note presentations (see agenda) and a contribution from all regional delegations.

To prepare this exchange we ask you to prepare a short presentation/intervention on the following:

MAIN THEME/TITLE: TRANSITION IN CARE - FROM INSTITUTIONALIZED CARE TO COMMUNITY BASED CARE.

This considers transitions in the organisation of special youth care towards a more community based care as well as transition of the policy level from national to local authorities.

QUESTIONS TO ADDRESS:

Policies and state of play on the practice of 'community based care in your region:

Local/regional policies and strategies

- What's the regional strategy on community based care/residential
- Is there an impact of austerity policies (budget cuts) in your sector and services? Are these measures addressed to the professional sector and/or do they also impact on the client's level?
- Are services organized by private or private bodies?
- Do the (former) residential care providers play a role in family and community based care? Which residential care capacity is still needed?
- What is the role of the political level and the managing (funding) authorities?

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Services and care (operational level)

- What forms of guidance, aid and mediation for youngsters are put in place? Role of foster care and home care? Do you have good practices to share?
- Special care vs overall services: youth welfare, care in schools and regular services vs need for intervention by authorities and specialized services: analysis, instruments and interventions by authorities
- Role of prevention? What/how? Can prevention replace curative care? Or better: to what extend can prevention replace professional/residential care?

'Signs of Safety' approach

The 'Signs of Safety' approach will be presented as key note. Is this approach known and used in your region? If yes, can you share your experiences?

Conclusions

- What is the biggest pitfall, problem, risk, … in your care system?
- What is your biggest opportunity, perspective, strength?

You're free to choose these aspects which are relevant to your situation and knowledge. We hope that all these presentations together will lead to an inspiring exchange of ideas.

Please keep your presentation short (max 5 – 8 min). A supportive powerpoint presentation of no more than 10 slides can be used.

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