

"Fact for minors" – Purpose

Target the weak points in the procedures connected to the multi-agency approach, identifying different strategies and operational procedures for the enhancement of the existing ones that can be duplicated in different contexts, and strengthen interagency and multidisciplinary cooperation in the area of the rights of children by :

- the strengthening of the capacity of professionals who work closely with children and the strengthening of multi-agency cooperation, also engaging the network of institutional actors involved in the protection of young offenders;
- signing a "formal agreements" which can make the identified operational strategies repeatable.

Introduction: relevant context analysis

Studies at European level on young offenders with psychological, psychiatric or personality disorders report an increase in presence of such children within the juvenile justice services (See. IJJO, Mental Health resources for Young Offenders). It is an extremely complex issue. It might be important to decline different orders of questions, reasons and critical issues that refer to the need to find adequate responses that take into account the complexity and at the same time are consistent with the specific contexts.

Main issues about the activities in contact with the minor offenders with psychological, psychiatric or personality disorders.

The sensitive issue related to young offenders with psychological, psychiatric or personality disorders request that some important matters that may affect the coherent functioning of an integrated approach which is fundamental for the well-being and the primary interest of the minor should be careful considered by partners:

- law enforcement and treatment system;
- ethical and social issues related to:
 - a. freedom to choose your own treatment and obedience to the treatment of minor offenders;
 - b. superposition of different levels of responsibility involved in the integrated system;
 - c. cohabitation of justice system and health system in taking care of the young offenders with psychological, psychiatric or personality disorders;
 - d. circulation and privacy on sensitive information;
 - e. timing of the justice system and of the care system in taking charge of the young offenders with psychological, psychiatric or personality disorders.