



PROTECTION AND SUPPORT OF ABUSED CHILDREN THROUGH MULTIDISCIPLINARY INTERVENTION



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PROCHILD project seeks to create a multi-professional, integrated model of cooperation with stakeholders involved in response to violence against children. The project will tackle underreporting and fragmentation of services and implement a joint approach based on complementary competences and the child's best interest.

PROCHILD is aimed at systematizing today's most forward-looking EU approaches to tackle child mistreatment. Its relevance lies in the contribution to a deeper implementation of the Directive 2012/29/EU to enable child victims and holders of parental responsibility to receive appropriate information, support and protection and improved access to criminal proceedings, with the child's best interest as a primary concern.

THE BACKGROUND

Child abuse affects all social classes and ethnicities, and it features a variety of characteristics, such as the age of the victim, violence type and severity, the context where it takes place and relationship between the victim and the perpetrator. This phenomenon is difficult to identify and monitor due to the cultural mechanisms of minimisation and denial.

Child abuse is often repeated and victims get protection and rehabilitative, social and psychoemotional treatment at a later stage. Clinical evidence and research have shown short, medium, long-term consequences of violence on health highlighting how physical and psychological damage require early, integrated and specialist treatment.



AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The specific objectives of the project are to:

- ✓ Protect fundamental rights of children
- ✓ Promote early detection and reporting of abuse/mistreatment cases;
- ✓ Adopt a multi-professional model of protection & care of child victims
- ✓ Develop integrated and shared protocols among Social and Health Services, Educational Agencies, Police, Judicial Authorities
- ✓ Increase the skills of professionals for an early identification of the phenomenon
- ✓ Search for viable and appropriate ways to make victims of violence and their families/caregivers an active part of the assessment and improvement of protection and support services.

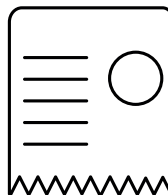
EXPECTED RESULTS



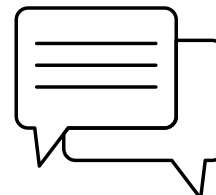
An elearning platform for professionals and students that will host training materials and will provide a space for confrontation on clinical cases.



Awareness-raising on what is violence, abuse, neglect and what to do to give/receive support, targeted to families, minors, school staff, social and health professionals, police and judicial authority



Completion of local/national protocols contributing to the creation of an integrated intervention model for early detection of abuse/mistreatment, reporting and protection of child victims



Starting the dialogue for the creation of an Italian epidemiological registry on violence against children that will enable data analysis and intervention

THE CONSORTIUM

PROCHILD is a transnational project involving
6 organisations from **6 EU countries**:

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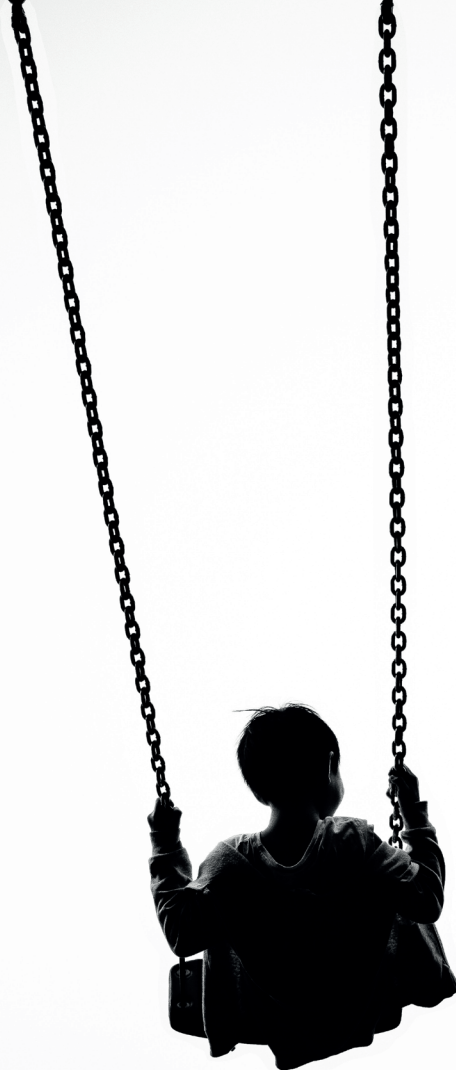
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