

PIE4shelters

Making Shelters Psychologicallyand Trauma-Informed

Information and Networking Meeting REC projects on Empowerment of Women and Combatting GBV

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PIE4shelters in a nutshell

Background and rationale

Gender-Based Violence is the main cause of homelessness of women, homelessness is a significant risk factor for experiencing GBV, particularly for women

Objective

- Improve support for homeless women as a group particularly affected by GBV
- Support homeless shelters to become Psychologically Informed Environments (PIEs)

What makes PIE4shelters special? Joint expertise from homeless and GBV / women's sectors















Key activities

- 1. Assessment report to identify gaps in service provision
- 2. Development of the *PIE4shelters* training framework for homeless services
- 3. Trained 200 frontline and 70 management staff working with homeless services in HU, BE, IE, IT, UK
- 4. Internal training day in all partner organizations to establish PIE as organizational framework
- 5. 1 European and 5 local train the trainers
- 6. Evaluation of training impact

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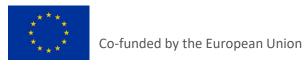












Impact

- Improved understanding of trauma
- PIE as comprehensive framework
- Staff appreciated they could contribute own knowledge and experience to the training
- Staff felt empowered to effectively improve support & environments
- 'Training gave me the push to bring up the subject'
- Key to provide space for survivors to share GBV as gender-specific experience



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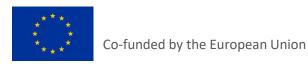














- Bringing about organizational change takes time
- Need to tailor training to the organization and (groups of) support workers
- Useful exchange of knowledge between homeless and GBV / women's sectors
- Tools from women's services useful for homeless services, adaption needed
- Wish to bring training to relevant professionals



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