International cooperation – The example of family-based prevention in Central America

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International cooperation
WHO Child and Adolescent Health consultation on family-base interventions
Family-based prevention
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- Prevents
  - Substance and drug use
  - Youth violence
  - Child maltreatment

- Supports
  - Parents with children with behavioural problems
  - Development also of children at risk
WHO (and many others)’s guidance on youth violence and child maltreatment
Go regional!
Inter-agency collaboration with PAHO

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Familias Fuertes Amor y Limites
1. Panama: Pilot with NGO, then TOT, including researchers
2. Honduras, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Dominican Republic using trainers from Panama (and Honduras)
3. Regional meeting to exchange experiences
4. Costa Rica plus consolidation in El Salvador & Panama (MoE)
Inter-regional: Municipality of Buenos Aires, Argentina
Back to global: a light programme IS possible!
Example for displaced populations
Refugee reception centres

Change in Total Strengths and Difficulties scores for Children in High/Very High Category (n= 9 (8 boys, 1 girl)/ 25 families) in Refugee Reception Centres in Serbia

SDQ SCORES

VERY HIGH
20-40pts

HIGH
17-19pts

SLIGHTLY RAISED
14-16pts

CLOSE TO AVG.
0-13pts

Significant differences: $p_{t1-t2} = 0.007$; $p_{t2-t3} = 0.001$; $p_{t1-t3} = 0.001$
Listen First campaign

www.unodc.org/listenfirst
Back to inter-agency cooperation
Recognition of UNODC experience

- WHO Violence Prevention Alliance
- WHO – UNICEF HAT (Help Adolescents Thrive) initiative
Testimonial
Honduras
Testimonial
Central Asia
Testimonial
Dominican Republic
Testimonial
Argentina

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Thank you!