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JA on Implementation of Best Practices in the area of Mental Health





JA ImpleMENTAL, key objectives





Reinforce capacity to address system transformation (citizen centered & integrated approaches, increase system efficiency, build & maintain healthy alliances, etc)



Support the transfer & pilot implementation of two (2) best practices

Achieve a strong involvement of national/ regional governmental actors to enable such practices to be embedded in health systems.



Support MS to improve & promote MH via innovative & sustainable (MHS) change.



TRANSFORMATICA

Establish sustained cooperation of relevant MS authorities in the area of MH & involving a wide variety of stakeholders to share a common & global vision about MH





Original best practices

Mental health reform in
 Belgium (Participating 14 countries, piloting 11)

Austrian Best Practice on Suicide Prevention (SUPRA)

(Participating 17 countries, piloting 14)









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Participants



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Work packages of the Project

- Work Package 1 –Coordination andManagement
- Work Package 2 –Dissemination
- Work Package 4 Sustainability

- ➤ Work Package 5 Transfer and pilot Implementation of the Belgian best practice on reform of the mental health (MH) services
- ➤ Work Package 6 Transfer and pilot implementation of (selected elements of) of the Austrian Best Practce on Suicide Prevention (SP) "SUPRA"

Lithuanian experience

- MH data were analyzed (coverage, number of inpatient beds, availability of rehospitalization, outpatient services, etc.).
- Preparatory work for reform planning has been completed.
- Consultations were held with municipalities and social partners regarding reform guidelines and planning of new services.
- Selected elements of good practice that we will implement in Lithuania.
- ➤ The concept of transformation of PS services has been prepared.





Country Context-Current Mental Health Strategy Mental health reform is ongoing now

Number of psychiatry inpatient beds -30%

From 2413⁽²⁰²⁰⁾ to 1664

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Re-hospitalizations -33% From 33.6 percent. (2019) down to 22.3 percent

Number of suicides per 100,000 people **-40%**

From 21.6 (2019) to 13

16 million

2020...

2030... (expected)

Primary MH

Psychotherapy 2 million

centres

26 million

Prevention & promotion

6 million

6 million

(F)ACT teams



4.5 million

Piloting elements from Belgium best practice

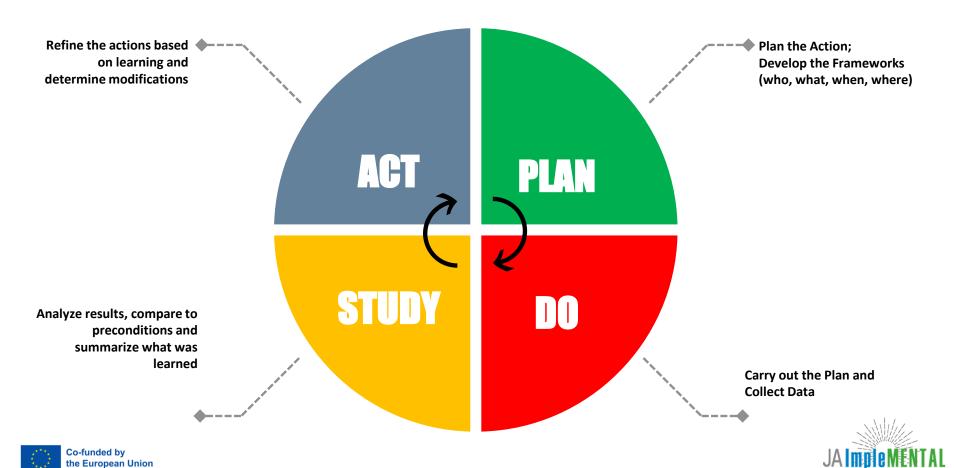
General Purpose

- ➤ to move from hospital-based services toward community-based services create conditions for service providing and pilot 2 new type of services:
 - ➤ Case Management in Primary Mental health centers
 - >ACT teams

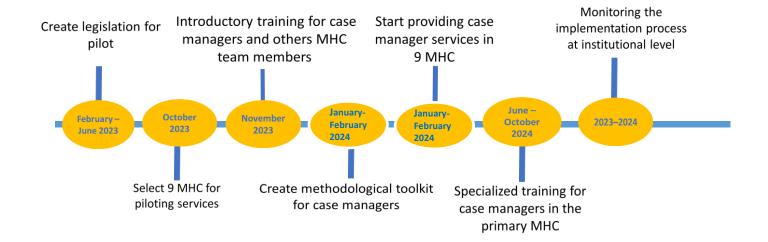




PDSA Cycles; Vital element of the implementation process"



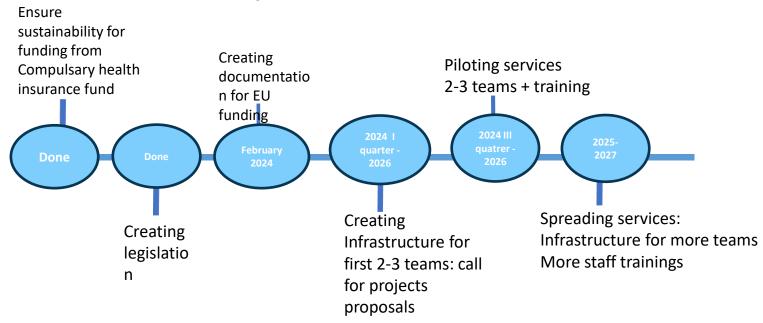
Timeline of Implementation: Case management







Timeline of Implementation: ACT teams







Approach: level of implementation

- Case Management: piloting started in 2024 January in
 9 selected PMHC. Methodological toolkit has been developed.
- ACT teams: legislation is created, sustainable funding form HNIF is ensured. Mental health institution selection procedure for future infrastructure projects is completed.
- Ensuring human-rights application/enforcement in service delivery ACT TEAMS: all service providers will be required to train using WHO Qualityrights e-training platform. This requirement is adapted in the description of the procedure for the order of the ministry of health.





Challenges

- 1. Human resources (especially in the regions);
- 2. Limited funding;
- 3. Prejudice and fear of change;
- 4. Low awareness between health care institutions on ACT services (therefore long negotiations procedure with Health care institutions);
- 5. QualityRights e-training material is not available in Lithuanian;
- 6. Limited time resources and long negotiation process with stakeholders.





Solutions

- 1. Dialogue with NHIF to recalculate monthly budget fee for ACT teams ensured bigger funding;
- 2. Using EU funding for attracting specialists to the regions;
- 3. Corrected the order of MoH for less requirements for act teams staff (to have less experience);
- 4. Donation for WHO was paid and translation process has already begun;
- 5. Consulted almost each mental health care institution separately on ACT teams and case management services in order to ensure collaboration;





Experiences

- Better understanding about case management and ACT teams functions;
- Ensured collaboration with mental health care institutions for current and future projects;
- Political support for reform.





First results

- ▷ Ensured funding for both, case management services and ACT teams;
- Necessary legal acts and a methodological toolkit have been created;
- ▷ 9 MHCC piloting case management services;
- As the perception of new services increases institutions are interested in newly developing services and become more involved.





Findings and Lessons learned

- ▷ The high importance of trainings that are provided;
- The biggest finding and lesson learned was the importance of how much interinstitutional (with politicians, mental health care centers, stakeholders) cooperation is needed;
- ∨ Very important to prepare legal acts and guidelines to define service provision requirements at national level .





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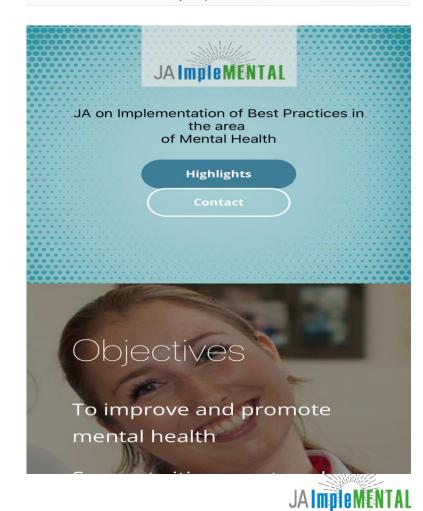
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