Help and Services for the Perpetrators in Lithuania

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Structure: who provides the services and who funds the services for perpetrators in Lithuania

Lithuanian Probation Service, which works with perpetrators who have been convicted by a court and are required to participate in a violent behavior change program

The goal is systematic work with perpetrators, secondary prevention and correction of violent behavior

NGOs, volunteers, other organizations that work with perpetrators

Men's Crises Centres
(MCCs) - organisations that
work with violent men and
men who have social and
psychological problems (eg.
divorce, relationship
problems, depression,
bereavement) of different
social backgrounds,
including ex-prisoners

The most pressing issue in the area of perpetrator services in Lithuania

- Violence case management
- Implementation of approved behavior correction tools (programs)
- Assessment of the impact of the services and programs provided;
- There is no stable financing, it is mainly financed through project activities (especially NGOs)
- There are practically no post-intervention services for perpetrators

Can the same entity be responsible for both victim services and the perpetrator services? Yes or no? What are the potential benefits and challenges?

- Some institutions in Lithuania work this way.
- Some institutions in Lithuania oppose it.
- Here, the question of competence of the specialist providing the services is very important.
- Violence case management may be a compromise in this regard