

## CONFERENCE

### ASSESSING CHILDRENS NEEDS: A TOOL TO SUPPORT EFFECTIVE SOCIAL WORK WITH VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Monday 25 June 2007

Post-Graduate Institute of Taras Shevchenko University, Vasylykivska 36, Room No. 78, Kyiv

#### Goal:

To ensure understanding of assessment as an effective and important component of social work services for vulnerable families and children.

#### Objectives:

- ▶ To present the theoretical background and the key principles of assessment
- ▶ To present and discuss the process and procedures of assessment
- ▶ To focus on the importance of interagency cooperation and joint working to support effective assessment
- ▶ To present and discuss the assessment tool which being piloted in Kyiv oblast

#### AGENDA:

09.30 – 10.00	<b>Registration and Coffee</b>
10.00 - 10.10	<b>Introduction to the Conference</b> <i>Vasylyna Dybaylo</i> <i>Deputy Director of Development, EveryChild Ukraine</i>
10.10 -10.30	<b>Child's Needs Assessment as Key Element of Social Work with Families and Children</b> <i>Halyna Laktionova</i> <i>Deputy Director of the State Social Services for Family, Children and Youth</i>  <i>Nadiya Tatarchuk, Head of Department for Family and Youth, Kyiv Oblast State Administration</i>



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10.30-11.00	<b>The UK Experience of Assessment as the Fundamental Tool in Providing Appropriate Services to Vulnerable Children and Families</b> <i>Elayn Sammon, Team Leader, EU Project “Development of Integrated Social Services for Exposed Families and Children”</i>
11.00-11.20	<b>Fundamental Knowledge Base for Effective Assessment</b> <i>Iryna Zvereva, Senior Expert in Social Care Development, EU Project “Development of Integrated Social Services for Exposed Families and Children”</i>
11.20-11.40	<b>Theories and Practice of Assessment – the Domains or Dimensions of the Assessment Framework</b> <i>Zhanna Petrochko, Expert on Social Work, EU Project “Development of Integrated Social Services for Exposed Families and Children”</i>
11.40-12.00	<b>The Assessment Process in Action: System, Timescales and Interagency Cooperation</b> <i>Zinaida Kyyanytsya, Deputy Director on Programmes, EveryChild Ukraine</i>
12.00-12.15	<b>Presentation of Working Groups</b> <i>Vasylyna Dybaylo, Deputy Director of Development, EveryChild Ukraine</i>
12.15-13.00	Lunch
13.00-15.00	<b>Working Groups</b> <b>Using the Assessment Tool: from referral to initial assessment to complex assessment using the examples of real case studies.</b> <i>Facilitators: Larysa Stryga, Maria Rostalna, Zhanna Petrochko Lyubov Kvasha, Nelya Basenko, Svitlana Holubnycha</i>
15.00-15.30	Coffee-break
15.30-16.00	<b>Working Group Feedback</b>
16.00-16.15	<b>Practical Application of Assessment in Social Work: Next Steps</b> <b>Closing of the Conference</b> Agreement on next steps and closing comments <i>Zinaida Kyyanytsya, Deputy Director of Programmes, EveryChild Ukraine</i>



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