

EASPD Webinar: Early Childhood Intervention during COVID-19

Wednesday 10th June, 14h00 CEST, via Zoom

Context

The Coronavirus outbreak presents a major challenge to national, regional and local communities which are on the frontline in countering the disease. In the face of the COVID-19 virus support service providers are taking their own actions, to be able to continue to provide essential care & support services to those who need it most.

The lockdown caused by the virus has presented very specific challenges for the support of young children and their families. How to interact, assess and support a young child without possible physical contact? How to reach families that are overwhelmed, and don't always have access or expertise with technological devices? How to continue to bring the support these children and their families need, when the services are locked down and their funding largely cut?

This webinar will discuss the challenges and opportunities that appeared during the COVID-19 situation:

- What were the main challenges for services to deliver quality Early Childhood Intervention services during the pandemic?
- What innovations have been developed?
- How to handle the transition back to a more normal environment?
- What do we need to do now to better prepare for the next crisis?

Programme

14h00	Welcome and Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vasilka Dimoska, chair of the ECI member forum, PORAKA, Macedonia
14h05	Moderator: Eric Bloemkolk , SOFT Tulip, Netherlands <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lina Nikolova – testimony of a parent of a 7-months child, Bulgaria • Borislava Cherkezova, Karin Dom, Bulgaria • Flavia Shehu, Down Syndrome Albania • Agapi Papadaki, Amimoni, Greece
14h40	Questions and Answers with Participants
14h55	Concluding Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vasilka Dimoska, PORAKA, Macedonia

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