



MEDNET



TECHNICAL DETAILS

Project name: MEDNET 4 Youth Addictions-Mediterranean Network for the support of youth drug addictions and social reintegration.

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Action Area: Italy, Spain and Greece

The **MEDNET** project addresses **problematic drug use among young people through inclusion, staff training and service improvement** in the Euro-Mediterranean context. The main outcome of MEDNET will be a guide aimed at **improving the professional skills of those supporting young people navigating complex migration processes with problematic drug use**. This guide will be the result of the planned knowledge-sharing activities between professionals through online training and on-site visits to each of the partner organisations. MEDNET seeks to improve the care and support for these individuals, fostering more collaborative and inclusive practices and approaches to problematic drug use and social exclusion across Europe.

GENERAL AND SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

- **To promote the exchange of knowledge and raise awareness** of problematic drug use among young people associated with complex transnational, and specifically Mediterranean, migration processes from a **harm and risk reduction perspective**.
- **To expand the reach of the project partners'** work in both health and social services and the social inclusion of migrant youth, addressing their key needs.
- **To improve the skills and increase the knowledge of staff** when dealing with situations involving young people in a complex context of migration, social exclusion and problematic drug use.



MAIN ACTIVITIES

- **Three online training sessions (one per partner)**, each lasting 2 hours, as a collaborative environment to exchange best practices, ensuring that each partner benefits from shared knowledge and diverse care approaches.
- **Three in-person field exchanges (Italy, Spain, Greece)**, each lasting 3 days, to visit crisis centres and partner facilities to observe practices and methodologies first-hand, share practical experience, align methodologies, and contribute to a common EU-Mediterranean approach.
- Elaboration of **the EU-Mediterranean manual on youth drug addiction treatment and social inclusion** focused on updated methodologies and tools in addiction treatment from a harm reduction perspective, gathering contributions from experts and sharing of partners' good practices to strengthen staff skills and build a shared knowledge base across partners.
- **Dissemination actions** to raise EU-level awareness and promote the project outcomes, such as **1 online final event to present the manual and project results**.

EXPECTED RESULTS AND IMPACT

- Enhanced knowledge and skills of a minimum of **9 youth workers, educators, and other partner staff**.
- **Improved and expanded health and social inclusion services** for young people with addictions, including education and employment support.
- A broader **EU-Mediterranean network** focused on youth addiction recovery and reintegration.
- A **EU-Mediterranean manual** on attending youth drug addiction and promoting social inclusion, with a specific focus on migration-related determinants and guidance for replication.

