

European Family Justice Center Alliance

2-nd International FIC Conference

One Safe Place for Hope and Empowerment

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“Taking the best of what you already have and bring it all together.” – Casey Gwinn



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VISION of the EFJCA



A future where all professionals work together to ensure safety and a better life for survivors of domestic violence, child abuse and sexual violence.

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What is a Family Justice Center?

Co-location of a multidisciplinary team of professionals who are cooperating under one roof to offer help and support to victims of violence and their children.

A place where professionals come together and survivors come first – A SAFE PLACE

All services survivors and their children need are under one roof.



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OUR LEGAL FRAMEWORK IN EUROPE = REQUIRED DIRECTIVE FOR ALL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence

Istanbul, 2011
‘The Istanbul Convention’



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Article 7 – Comprehensive and co-ordinated policies

Parties shall take the necessary legislative and other measures to adopt and implement State-wide effective, comprehensive and co-ordinated policies encompassing all relevant measures to prevent and combat all forms of violence covered by the scope of this Convention and offer a holistic response to violence against women.

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FJC's in Europe:

- The Netherlands: Tilburg
- Poland: Warsaw
- Germany: Berlin
- Belgium: Antwerpen/Hasselt/ Mechelen/Turnhout
- N. Ireland: Derry
- Iceland: Reykjavik
- Sweden: Malmö
- France: Paris

A map of Europe with several countries highlighted in different colors to indicate the locations of Family Justice Centers: The Netherlands (orange), Poland (green), Germany (blue), Belgium (red), N. Ireland (purple), Iceland (yellow), Sweden (pink), and France (light blue).

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An infographic with a yellow background and a white house shape. It features a large number '2' and the text 'HOW TO START A FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER'. Below the text is an illustration of a person running on a track.

10 steps to build a Family Justice Center

1. Dream Big, Start Small
2. It's not only about the building, it's about the cooperation
3. Structure your cooperation
4. It's not only about numbers, it's especially about people
5. Communication
6. Services
7. Safety
8. Financing and building
9. Be Creative
10. Keep on growing

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What do we offer

- The central platform for FJC's and related multidisciplinary models in Europe
- Provide mutual support and cooperation among members
- Creating and organizing a platform for conversation, consultation and exchange of ideas, expertise and good practices in the approach to domestic violence
- Organizing a yearly conference
- Supporting and following up new Family Justice Centers in Europe

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PRODUCTS

- Offering a 'how to start a FJC' package.
- Training on Moral Deliberation
- Book on how to start a FJC (One Safe Place)
- Developing and providing trainings and instruments on a range of methodologies and products focusing on ACE, Trauma-informed care, Polyvictimization and Hope.
- Offering regular webinars on topics of interest for the FJC's and Multi Agency models.

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DREAM BIG – START SMALL

An illustration of a person sitting on the floor, building with colorful blocks. Above their head is a thought bubble containing a colorful castle with towers and a flag.

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Thank you for your attention

 

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