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## ADVANTAGES AND CHALLENGES OF CREATING AND IMPLEMENTING A CURRICULUM BASED ON NEEDS DETECTED IN CARE EXPERIENCES

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A SAFER LIFE FOR OLDER WOMEN: TRAINING PROFESSIONALS AND IMPLEMENTING COOPERATION MECHANISMS FOR COMBATING VIOLENCE AND ABUSE AGAINST OLDER WOMEN



- The great privilege in being here

## CONSTRUCT A CURRICULUM

- SAFE project departs from a great idea that can be summarized in this way:
  - After we exchange views and experiences with health professionals on older adults' mistreatment, and learning about the problems they face when mistreatment occurs we can create a meaningful curriculum for them.
- Construct a curriculum for a certain subject matter is in some sense differentiate it as a subject of learning and inquiry.
  - What can be more meaningful than this to create a respected domain of knowledge and at the same time a respected subject for social consideration?

## MAIN QUESTIONS THAT OUR CURRICULUM TARGETS

- Modular 1 - What is older adult abuse and how can it be explained? (Perspectives to violence against older women)
- Module 2 - How can we recognize signs of violence and provide the first help? (Working with an older survivor)
- Module 3 -How can we screen for older adult mistreatment and construct multi-agency mechanisms of cooperation? (Practical procedures)
- Module 4 - What can I do to take care of myself during the helping process in order to be an effective helper? (Working as a professional)
- Module 5 - How can I prepare myself to be a good mentor on the matters of helping on issues of older adults mistreatment? (Conducting Training with Social and Health Care Professionals)

## MAIN QUESTIONS THAT OUR CURRICULUM TARGETS

What is older adult abuse and how can it be explained?

How can I recognize signs of elderly mistreatment and provide the first help?


How can I screen for elderly mistreatment and construct inter-related mechanisms of cooperation?

How to take care of myself during the helping process in order to be an effective helper?

How can I prepare myself to be a good mentor on the matters of elderly mistreatment?



## METHODS USED TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS OF THE CURRICULUM

- Exposition
- Dialogue /Discussion
- Learning by doing and Role taking (See the exercises and cases).  Becoming aware – creating possible solutions.

## ADVANTAGES OF CREATING AND IMPLEMENTING THIS CURRICULUM

- A curriculum provides the contents that professionals learn to be possible guides for their professional development.
- We implemented this curriculum for the first time *in our own way*.
- To fulfill its goal a curriculum should enable students to become teachers; and also it should also enable teachers to become permanent students of that curriculum



## CHALLENGES OF CREATING AND IMPLEMENTING THE CURRICULUM

- We implemented this curriculum for the first time *in our own way*.
- We could not monitor and observe participants doing what was supposed they do after the training. The time was limited as happens every time, everywhere. And then we couldn't accomplish one of the main traits of effective training: **its continuity**.



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