

### **CoReMH Consortium inaugural meeting**

The Association for Regional Development and Mental Health (EPAPSY) is a NGO providing community mental health and psychosocial support services as a public body in Greece. Established in 1988. Currently it operates community based mental health services in different areas around Greece (22 Residential Facilities, 2 Day Centers, 2 Mobile Mental Health Units in Greek Islands). In 2019 services were provided to 3770 users. The current number of staff is 275

Implementing partner of UNHCR, member of European Network for Training and Research in Mental Health ENTER, European Alliance Against Depression, Network of European Art Festivals for mEntal HeaLth Enhancement.

Current Funded projects by UNHCR about refugees/asylum seekers:

- Refugee Mental Health Teams (ROMHTs) project: 2 mobile teams of MHPSS professionals in the urban settings of Attica and Thessaloniki provide respond to refugee/asylum seekers mental health needs, who are beneficiaries of Accommodation project ESTIA I.
- Community Psychosocial Workforce (CPW) project: 15 trained refugees provide psychosocial support to other refugees/asylum seekers in the urban settings of Attica.
- Psychosocial Support Helpline project: During the COVID-19 pandemic crisis a Psychosocial support helpline were developed in order to provide immediate psychosocial help and access to services. The helpline is operated by Community Psychosocial Workers (CPWs) (trained refugees/asylum-seekers) and is available from Monday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 7p.m. in Arabic and Farsi.

Current Funded projects:

- Improvement of child and adolescent care by the Mobile Mental health units funded by National Strategic Reference Framework (NSRF)
- Development of a Day Center for people with dementia in Larissa

Past projects: 17 projects funded by NSRF, DG Justice, EAA Grants, FP6 and other

Activities regarding empowerment and active engagement of service users and people with personal experience:

- Empowerment of mental health services users: Life Long Learning, Integration and Action (EMILIA) [FP6], 2005-2010
- Collaborative seminar at the Department of Psychology, Panteion University, 2009-2018.
- Support of Social Cooperatives and User and Family Associations 2018
- Citizens against Depression project , 2018
- Emergency intervention for the victims of the wildfires in Mati, Attica, 2018 - 2019
- Representation at the “Users and carers participation in ICD revision process” by the WHO CC Lille (2018)
- Collaboration with WHO for implementing WHO tools in Greece: WHO QualityRights, Mh-Gap, PM+