

A European Forum for Family Group Conference

In a number of countries in Europe organisations or individuals are working to develop and implement Family Group Conference (FGC). In some countries local projects are developed, in other countries nationwide implementations are in process. The results are many times challenging: families are willing and capable to be responsible for their own situation, make plans, provide resources and develop a positive relation with the social services. At the same time implementation of FGC is a paradigm shift which challenges very much implementation strategies.

In Europe an informal network exists from individuals working with FGC. Within this network a need for a more structured framework of connections, information and support has been expressed.

During the upcoming Manchester conference mission, aim and funding possibilities could be discussed.

The focus for this network could be:

- organize annual seminars on implementation, best practice, training and research.
- information sharing, website and newsletter
- developing a support system and service bureau
- organize annual European conference on FGC
- bids for European Funding

It is advisable to start low key and informally. Depending on needs the Forum could grow and become more important.

Attached you find a list of names and addresses. If you have access to names that are not on this list please add those to this list.

We hope to have a discussion on this topic during the Manchester conference.

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