

Development of cross-border cooperation in helping people with autism on the Polish-Belarusian borderlands

The number of youth and children diagnosed with autism is constantly growing. In Poland it is estimated that today 1 in 100 born children has this disorder. Unfortunately organisations dealing with autism on Polish-Belarusian border area do not have sufficient systemic solutions on how to look after such children and how to enable them to stand on their own. Parents, relatives, guardians and others around them have to deal with these challenges on their own. The key here is lack of adequate infrastructure and professionally trained staff.

The DcbCforAUTISM project partners are going to create infrastructure as well as health and education system in order to give complex support for children, youth and adults with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and similar developmental disorders. On the Polish side activities will focus on the construction of School Preparing for Employment and Environmental Self-Help House as well as House of Permanent Residence for Adults with Autism. In Belarus the comprehensive care centre for children with ASD and their parents will be created in the special school in Brest – it will be the first this kind of center in the entire country. Moreover, both parties are planning mutual exchange of experiences: conferences, methodological training sessions and study visit for teachers, as well as sport and recreation events for the proteges. To complete the whole picture, information and consultation points for both parents and teachers will be established.

The project will give a chance for improvement of life quality of families and people affected with autism from Lubelskie voivodeship and Brest oblast. Thanks to its results, they will be able to find professional, long-lasting help and care. From the other side, the ASD experts working in the sphere of autism will gain not only new infrastructure adapted to the particular needs, but also additional knowledge and skills, what shall result in more effective therapies.



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