

1.5 NO TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

CHALLENGES

Family relationships can become fraught with tension, violence, and abuse. It is certainly necessary to distinguish conflict situations, from situations of violence.

Domestic violence is often a hidden phenomenon that is difficult to declare and report. Therefore, interventions must take into account the multiple relationships and generations involved.

Specific attention needs to be given in some countries where women are still subjected to violence and social marginalization.

SUGGESTIONS

Preventative intervention is needed, offering parents violence-free educational strategies.

Conflict and marital crises should find appropriate responses in adequate services that are able to address such crises in a timely manner. Such interventions are part of the prevention.

It is necessary to reinforce the ways in which victims of violence are taken in and protected.

AZIONI SPECIFICHE

- training families to contrast violence
- teaching men to respect women, even in their sexual relationship, as well as minors
- supporting women so that they know how to report all forms of family abuse/violence
- promoting family planning services, listening centers, counseling and support
- financially supporting counseling centers, social services, anti-violence centers, and shelter homes to report abuse and to accompany those involved
- disseminating centers that promote specific re-educational activities
- creating safe houses for women and children who experience violence/abuse
- strengthening church-based structures for the protection of minors and fragile people

Guidelines for family-focused university research

Further research should be conducted on:

- diffusion of the phenomenon of violence and abuse in all its expressions
- models of early prevention
- educational programs on the difference between men and women and the development of peaceful and nonviolent relationships, including in the area of affective and sexual education
- programs for teaching men to respect women, in preventing feminicides and abuse
- models of intervention for victim protection and recovery of perpetrators of violence



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