

# II European Conference on Domestic Violence



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## PROGRAMME

de Bragança). It is also worth mentioning that, for its implementation, it had support from different entities (PROPH, Quadro de Referência Estratégico Nacional, Governo da República Portuguesa, União Europeia-Fundo Social Europeu, Comissão para a Cidadania e Igualdade de Género). Since 2012 until now, support professionals of the district of Bragança, provide this guide to the victims of domestic violence, in a culturally conscious and respectful manner, in accordance with ethical and professional principles. It should also be mentioned that this informative guide attempts to provide answers to the most common questions of the victims, in an easy-to-read style. That way, together with the support of specialized professionals in victim support, enables conscious decision-making of the victim, without trivializing the suffering involved and minimizing the risks associated.

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### Guidebook for professionals in the identification and signalling of domestic violence against the elderly in the family context

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This poster aims to disseminate the guidebook entitled "Violence against the elderly in the family context: support guide for professionals in the identification and signaling". This resource was developed during the internship and supervision developed of the degree in Social Education at the School of Education of the Polytechnic Institute of Bragança in the Center for Support Victims of Domestic Violence in the District of Bragança (Núcleo de Apoio às Vítimas de Violência Doméstica do Distrito de Bragança). This guidebook, that emerges from the local needs of the northern and interior region of Portugal, accomplishes the following objectives: (i) to allow greater articulation of the networking involved in elderly prevention; (ii) to contribute to a self-reflection towards a better development of professional knowledge and skills for the identification and signaling of elderly victims of domestic violence, and (iii) to reaffirm the visibility of this form of victimization in the family context. The guidebook is composed of eleven chapters, subject through a rigorous peer-review process and based on scientific and empirical evidences on violence against the elderly. The proposed premises and guidelines intend that the intervention developed by professionals and organizations ensures the rights, the dignity and the safety of the elderly person.

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### Helping all parties of domestic violence

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The Federation of Mother and Child Homes and Shelters (FMS) is Finnish nationwide child welfare organization that helps children and families in difficult and insecure situations and prevents domestic violence. FMS is central organization for its 30 member associations (NGO) across Finland. The victims of violence and their children have been in the center of work from the late 70s. Work with perpetrators started some 20 years ago. This means that all the parties are helped at the same time. In this presentation, we would like to describe our united / integrated model for helping everyone involved with domestic violence; victims, children and perpetrators. The Modelling client meeting of open care services have three different aspects: 1) Promise of the service starts from specific approach to violence, ending with increasing well-being of the client and one's subjectivity. 2) FMS develops, reviews and updates best practice guidelines and standards for the delivery of interventions. The first publication of quality standards was released