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# PREVENTING VIOLENCE IN THE FAMILY

**DAHPNE III Programme**

**'Preventing and combating violence against children, young people and women and to protect victims and groups at risk'  
Specific Programme of the European Union for the years 2007 - 2013**

## Violence in the family

**This is a one-off or repeated willful act or omission affecting the rights or personal rights of people, particularly those affecting people in danger of loss of life, health, affecting their dignity, physical integrity, freedom, including sexual, causing injury to the physical or mental health and the cause of suffering and moral harm in people affected by violence.**

**A person affected by domestic violence receive assistance, in particular in the form of:**

- guidance of medical, psychological, legal, social, professional and family life;**
- crisis intervention and support;**
- protection from further abuse, by preventing the users to use violence occupied jointly with other members of the family dwelling and prohibit contact and approach the victim;**

- **provide (upon request) to a person affected by the violence, a safe haven in a specialized center of support for victims of domestic violence;**
- **medical examination to determine the cause and type of injuries related to the use of violence in the family and to issue a medical certificate to that effect;**
- **ensure that the person affected by the violence in the family who does not have legal title to the jointly occupied premises with the perpetrator of violence assistance in obtaining housing.**

**The municipality has an obligation to create a municipal system to prevent domestic violence, including :**

- development and implementation of the municipal program to prevent domestic violence and protect victims of domestic violence;**
- keeping counseling and intervention in the prevention of domestic violence, in particular through educational activities to strengthen the competence of the care and education of parents in families at risk of violence in the family;**
- to ensure people affected by domestic violence places in support centers;**
- creation of interdisciplinary teams;**

## District is required to:

- ▶ **development and implementation of the district program to prevent domestic violence and protect victims of domestic violence;**
- ▶ **development and implementation of programs aimed at preventive measures aimed at providing specialist support, particularly in the promotion and implementation of proper educational methods for children in families at risk of violence in the family;**
- ▶ **to ensure people affected by violence in the family places in crisis intervention centers.**

## The tasks of the government administration should be carried out by district :

- **Creation and running specialized centers for victims of domestic violence;**
- **developing and implementing corrective and educational programs for perpetrators of domestic violence.**
- ***Measures for the implementation and maintenance tasks referred to above, provides the state budget.***

- ▶ **persons who, in the performance of their duties to take a suspect to commit a crime of violence within the family, **immediately inform the police or prosecutor.****
- ▶ **persons who witness domestic violence should notify the police, prosecutor or other entity acting on behalf of domestic violence prevention.**



- ▶ **in the event of imminent danger to life or health of a child in connection with domestic violence social worker performing official duties has the right to take the child from the family and put them together with another person not residing nearby, in a foster family or in a full time care facility.**
- ▶ **decision referred to in paragraph. 1, social worker shall agree with the police officer and a doctor or medical rescuer or nurse**

- ▶ **if there are reasons for the use of detention of the accused for the crime of domestic violence, the court may apply the detention or police custody, provided that the defendant left the premises occupied jointly with the victim, the date set by the court, and shall specify the place of residence.**
- ▶ **if they leave, reduction may also involve refraining from contact with the victim in a certain way.**

## **Interdisciplinary Team**

**1) Interdisciplinary team shall be appointed by the mayor. The interdisciplinary team includes representatives :**

- Social welfare agencies;**
- Municipal committees of alcohol problems;**
- Police;**
- Probation judicial service;**
- Education;**
- Health;**
- NGOs.**

- ▶ **part of the interdisciplinary team also includes probation officers.**
- ▶ **part of the interdisciplinary team may also include prosecutors and representatives of entities other than previously stated, working to prevent domestic violence.**
- ▶ **Interdisciplinary team working on the basis of agreements concluded between the social assistance center manager and listed entities.**
- ▶ **Interdisciplinary team may set up working groups to address problems associated with the occurrence of domestic violence in individual cases.**

**Interdisciplinary team realises activities specified in the municipal program to prevent domestic violence and protect victims of domestic violence.**

**2) The task of the interdisciplinary team is integrating and coordinating the activities of the representatives of entities and experts in dealing with domestic violence in particular by :**

- diagnosis of the problem of domestic violence;**
- taking action in the environment risk of violence in the family to deal with the phenomenon of violence;**
- initiating interventions in the environment affected by domestic violence;**

- **dissemination of information on institutions, people and capabilities to assist in the local environment;**
- **initiating action against the perpetrators of domestic violence;**

### **3) The tasks of the working groups should be particularly:**

- **development and implementation of the plan assistance in individual cases;**
- **monitoring of the situation of families in which violence occurs and families at risk of violence;**
- **documenting actions taken against families in which violence occurs and the effects of these actions.**

## Procedure "Blue Card"

- **environmental interventions to families affected by the violence carried out by the procedure "Blue Card" and does not require the consent of the person affected by domestic violence.**
- **procedure covers all activities undertaken and carried out by representatives of social welfare agencies, municipal committees of alcohol problems, police, education and health, and therefore the existence of reasonable suspicion of domestic violence.**
- **representatives of the entities referred to above provide information on the action taken chairman of the interdisciplinary team.**

## The Family and Guardianship Code

**Persons executing parental authority, care or custody of the minor shall be prohibited from the use of corporal punishment inflict mental suffering, humiliation and other forms of child.**



**The number of victims of domestic violence in Poland, according to the procedure "Blue Card" in 2006-2010**

	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>The number of victims of domestic violence total</b>	<b>157.854</b>	<b>130.682</b>	<b>139.747</b>	<b>132.796</b>	<b>134.866</b>
<b>in it: women</b>	<b>91.032</b>	<b>76.162</b>	<b>81.985</b>	<b>79.811</b>	<b>82.102</b>
<b>in it: men</b>	<b>10.313</b>	<b>8.556</b>	<b>10.664</b>	<b>11.728</b>	<b>12.651</b>
<b>children under 13 years</b>	<b>38.233</b>	<b>31.001</b>	<b>31.699</b>	<b>27.502</b>	<b>26.802</b>
<b>minors from 13 to 18 years</b>	<b>18.276</b>	<b>14.963</b>	<b>15.399</b>	<b>13.755</b>	<b>13.311</b>

## Number of perpetrators of domestic violence in Poland 2006-2010

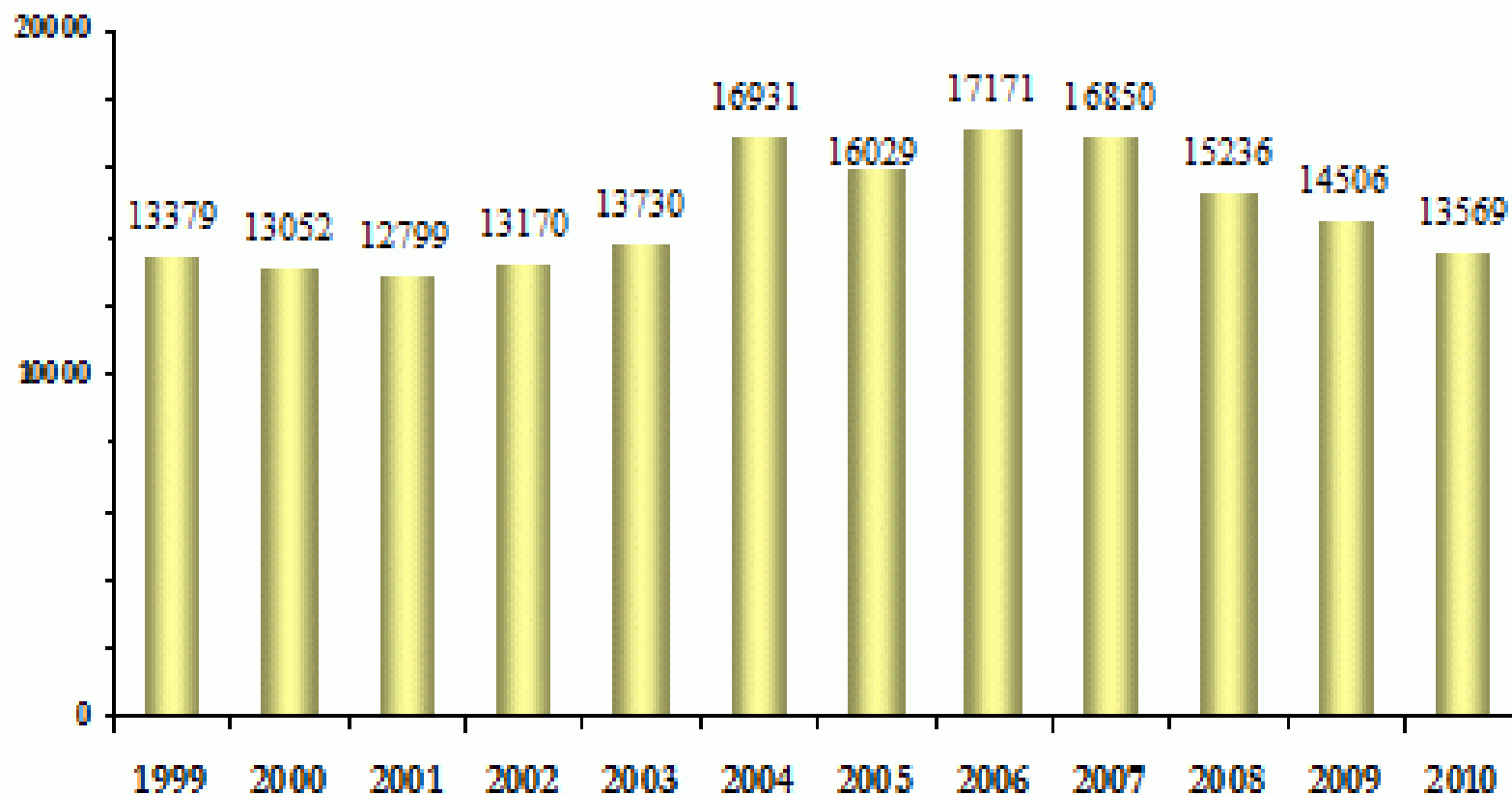
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
<b>Number of perpetrators of domestic violence total</b>	<b>96.775</b>	<b>81.743</b>	<b>86.568</b>	<b>81.472</b>	<b>83.390</b>
<b>in it: women</b>	<b>4.074</b>	<b>3.632</b>	<b>3.942</b>	<b>3.926</b>	<b>3.981</b>
<b>in it: men</b>	<b>92.526</b>	<b>77.937</b>	<b>82.425</b>	<b>77.326</b>	<b>79.204</b>
<b>minor</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>205</b>

### Number of perpetrators of domestic violence under the influence of alcohol in Poland

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
<b>Number of perpetrators of domestic violence under the influence of alcohol in total</b>	<b>74.772</b>	<b>63.303</b>	<b>61.991</b>	<b>54.201</b>	<b>54.030</b>
- women	2.126	2.073	1.949	1.769	1.694
- men	72.588	61.085	59.987	53.379	52.297
- minors	58	145	55	53	39
<b>in it: transported to the detoxification detention centre</b>	<b>18.536</b>	<b>15.875</b>	<b>15.434</b>	<b>13.062</b>	<b>12.789</b>
- women	630	481	476	482	496
- men	17.889	15.405	14.951	12.569	12.284
- minors	17	7	7	11	9
<b>in it: taken to police premises for detained until sober</b>	<b>23.624</b>	<b>20.769</b>	<b>22.502</b>	<b>22.806</b>	<b>23.846</b>
- women	465	452	527	584	573
- men	23.148	20.299	21.958	22.202	23.359
- minors	11	18	17	20	19

**Association of violence with alcohol among the perpetrators of domestic violence in Poland**

<b>year</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>number of perpetrators of domestic violence in total (A)</b>	<b>96.775</b>	<b>81.743</b>	<b>86.568</b>	<b>81.472</b>	<b>83.390</b>
<b>number of perpetrators of domestic violence under the influence of alcohol in total (B)</b>	<b>74.772</b>	<b>63.303</b>	<b>61.991</b>	<b>54.201</b>	<b>54.030</b>
<b>A share B in A in %</b>	<b>77.26</b>	<b>77.44</b>	<b>71.61</b>	<b>66.52</b>	<b>64.80</b>



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**Number of open cases of abuse the municipality  
Wałbrzych**

<b>year</b>	<b>the number of open cases of art. 207 KK</b>
<b>2006</b>	<b>285</b>
<b>2007</b>	<b>234</b>
<b>2008</b>	<b>235</b>
<b>2009</b>	<b>237</b>
<b>2010</b>	<b>226</b>