

Profesional traininf of parents of syndrome down children

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Marketing Text: The PoD project will create an informative pack of a DVD, a CD and a book with educational information for parents and people that on their day by day works or treat people with Down syndrome at different ages.

Zusammenfassung: Down Syndrome is probably the general population's most well known genetic disorder with neurological involvement. This fact, beneficial because of awareness of the problem, also means that there are some well established and hard- to-break prejudices. One of society's most clearly established prejudices is the idea that opportunities for people with Down Syndrome to change and learn are extremely limited. Numerous studies have shown that early stimulation helps improve the child's intellectual capabilities, along with being included in the educational environment.

The purpose of the multi-lateral project for innovational development called Professional Training for Parents of Children with Down Syndrome (PoD), is to design, develop and implement a new training tool with digital support (DVD) for family members and volunteers that will help stimulate and educate people with Down Syndrome throughout their lives. With the creation of this new tool we can contribute a useful instrument for professionals in different areas involved in the support and guidance for families of persons with Down Syndrome from different participating countries in order to unify interventional criteria. The goal is to improve the quality of life of this community and achieve maximum autonomy.

Beneficiaries of this tool will be specialists and public and private institutions involved with educating persons with Down Syndrome (specialists and health, educational and social facilities) and family members of persons with Down Syndrome. Improved professionalism of people who care for and work with Down Syndrome persons will have a direct influence on improving the quality of life of Down Syndrome individuals.

Beschreibung: The multi-lateral project for innovative development called: "PROFESSIONAL TRAINING FOR PARENTS OF PERSONS WITH DOWN SYNDROME" has as its goal to design, develop and implement a new training tool for the community of professionals and volunteers working with the families of people with Down Syndrome in order to give support and guidance at different stages of life.

Down Syndrome is the genetic disorder impacting intellectual functioning with the highest incidence among the general population. At the present time it appears in approximately 1 out of 800 births and affects all races and socio-economic levels equally. This community forms a characteristic phenotype and creates some well defined needs for help. According to data published by the Spanish Down's Syndrome Federation (FEISD, by its Spanish acronym), there are more than one million people with Down's Syndrome in the world, and in Spain there are 32.00 [sic] persons with this genetic disorder.

This community, while well admitted into society, faces the difficult task of breaking the stereotypes built up over the years about it. Among them we can name: being considered "sick", putting a "ceiling" on their chances for development and change and believing that they are "eternal children", to cite some examples.

In order to show the picture of this community to society in the near future, the following events will take place, which will mean an important social impact on both

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the European and international levels.

- 21st Annual International Technology and Persons with Disabilities Conference March 19-24, 2007

A comprehensive, international conference, where all technologies across all ages, disabilities, levels of education and training, employment, and independent living are addressed.

- Out of the Box Reading Program April 12 and 14, 2007

The Down Syndrome Guild of Greater Kansas City will host Denise MacDonald and Karen Evershed and their "Out of the Box" reading program. Two identical 3-hour sessions will be offered.

- 1st Latin American Congress on Down's Syndrome May, 2007

- THE 35th NDSC NATIONAL CONVENTION - Fired Up for Down Syndrome May 4-5, 2007

2006 NDSC National Convention plenary speaker, Dr. Brian Skotko, and 2005 NDSC Convention workshop presenter, Dr. William Mobley, will serve as keynote speakers at this statewide conference in Franklin, Tennessee. NDSC Board Member, Dr. George Capone, will join other workshop speakers at this event aimed at health care professionals, educators, advocates, family members, self-advocates and community professionals.

- Save the Date -- Postsecondary Education Conference May 19, 2007

The Ohio Down Syndrome Advocacy Network is sponsoring "Opening Doors to Students with Intellectual Disabilities", a conference on postsecondary education. The event will be held at the Fawcett Conference Center at Ohio State University in Columbus

- 18th Annual APSE National Conference July 16-18, 2007

APSE: The Network for Employment is holding an event focusing on supported employment in Kansas City.

- IMDSA Research and Awareness Conference June 29- July 1, 2007

The International Mosaic Down Syndrome Association Conference, presented in association with the Down Syndrome Association of Northern Virginia and the Down Syndrome Association of Roanoke, will be held at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, VA.

- The Division for Early Childhood's 23rd International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families October 25-28, 2007

The birth of a disabled child is a shattering blow to the idealized image of the child who was created during gestation and opens the door to a period of pain accompanied by feelings of guilt, depression or anger. How this news is given is very important and particularly how the parents are supported and cared for in those early moments. The family plays a significant role from the birth of their child with regards to its care, emotions and education. It is important to be with the parents in more than just those early moments, since throughout the life of the Down Syndrome person new challenges and new needs will appear. The parents and siblings will need information and support so they can help the disabled person develop his potential to its utmost.

It is important to establish an intervention as soon as possible, which is understood as global, including family adjustment, family social support, the family's emotional well being and recommended as an educational, psycho-social and health intervention. Numerous studies show the benefits inclusion into these stimulus programs are for the person from the very beginning and throughout his life, so long

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as they are adjusted to his needs at the time.

The document "Special Education Needs in Europe", published in January, 2003, by the European Agency for the Development of Special Education, shows that in early intervention teams "the work with the family constitutes a fundamental element that embraces aspects, such as offering information, guidance, assessment and training". "Information to the family is a very important task that must be considered as soon as possible. The information must be clear, understandable and complete". This is the intention of the project we present, expanded to all key stages of the life of people with Down Syndrome.

In the report that analyzes the Early Attention situation in Europe, published by the European Agency for the Development of Special Education, it declares the need for later training for professionals who work on multi-disciplinary teams through continued education courses on key topics, such as working with families or interventional methods. It establishes that "it is imperative that professionals know how to participate and work with the parents and/or the rest of the family and respect the needs and priorities, which differ from those of the professionals".

With the creation of this new tool we want to contribute a useful instrument for professionals in different areas who are involved in the support and guidance of the families of persons with Down Syndrome from the different participating countries to unify interventional criteria. The final goal is to improve the quality of life of this community and achieve maximum autonomy.

This resource will also consist of the creation of a multi-media tool that will consider the global nature of the child while keeping in mind the intra-personal, biological, psychological and educational aspects unique to each individual and centering on the interpersonal relationships of the child with his own environment throughout his life's path.

Targets

Direct Targets:

- Specialists and public and private institutions involved in caring for persons with Down Syndrome (specialists and health, educational and social institutions)
- Family members of persons with Down Syndrome.
- Associations, organizations and foundations that work and/or help the community of persons with Down Syndrome and their families.

Indirect Targets:

- Persons with Down Syndrome, since the creation of this tool, geared towards the families, will directly improve their quality of life.
- Students in the health, educational and social branches who are interested in learning about Down Syndrome in greater depth.

The creation of this tool will benefit the direct and indirect targets in both the short and long term.

The calendar and task for the developed successful this project are reflected in the next table:

Nº Task Deliverable Date Users Languages

T1 Project management and control R1.1 minutes the all meetings

R1.2 Intermediate and final reportI

R1.3 Administrative and financial documents

1-24 Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency, all partners English / Spanish

T2 Identification of user needs R2.1 Methodology for the analysis of training needs

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R2.2 Analysis of training needs

R2.3 Report including the need analysis

1-8 Project members, Specialists and public and private institutions involved in tending to people with Down's Syndrome (specialists and health, educational and social institutions) Students from the Health, Education and Social Services sectors English / Spanish
T3 Development of the learning methodology and learning tool. R3.1. Development of the content of the learning tool

R3.2. Development of the learning tool Multimedia training material.

8-17 Project members, Specialists and public and private institutions involved in tending to people with Down's Syndrome (specialists and health, educational and social institutions) Students from the Health, Education and Social Services sectors All partners languages
T4 Experimental application of the learning tool developed in the previous task, with 40 professionals (social workers, psycho-educators, gynaecologists, paediatricians, etc) and 30 relatives of patients with Down's Syndrome, in Greece, Rumania and Spain.

R4.1 Prototipe of multimedia tool.

R4.2 Report on the outcomes of training with the learning tool Mes 17-22 Project members, 210 parents or volunteers that are in contact with people with Down's Syndrome All partners languages

T5 Preparation of an internal handbook of quality benchmarks for the project R5.1 Preparation of the "Handbook of quality benchmarks for the project" and Internal assessment

R5.3 External Assessment Report Mes 1-24 All partners, European community English / Spanish

T6 Diffusion and assessment of outcomes R 6. Strategic diffusion plan:

For a more efficient diffusion of the project's outcomes, the following material will be prepared for dissemination purposes, which will develop its own format for providing information and support (translated into all the languages used in the project):

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- Creation of 800 training units (DVDs and CDs)
- A multimedia explanatory presentation of the project
- Portal for the project Mes 1-24

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T7 Exploitation of Results Exploitation plan Mes 1-24

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- Themen: *** Nutzung und Verbreitung von Ergebnissen
 *** Arbeitsmarkt
 *** Nachhaltigkeit
 *** Lebenslanges Lernen
 *** Fernlehre
 *** Berufsorientierung und -beratung
 *** Zugang für Benachteiligte
 *** Chancengleichheit
 *** Weiterbildung
 ** Qualität

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- ** Interkulturelles Lernen
- ** Sozialer Dialog
- * IKT

Sektoren: *** Gesundheits- und Sozialwesen
*** Kunst, Unterhaltung und Erholung

Produkt Typen: Homepage
Fernlehre
Module
CD-ROM
Audiokassetten/Videokassetten
Unterlagen für offenen Unterricht
Evaluierungsmethoden
DVD
Beschreibung neuer Berufsprofile

Produktinformation: Studying the training needs of the people looking after and bringing up children with Down's Syndrome, for the purpose of identifying existing deficiencies, so that they are capable of understanding the difficulties of people with Down's Syndrome and be in a position to motivate and train them to develop all their physical and mental potential. During this phase, the training needs will be identified for the various participating countries.

Another objective in this phase is to identify the technical and learning resources that are available for this group of people in the participating countries, so that such data can help us design the learning tool.

Development of the materials to be included on a DVD designed for the relatives of children with Down's Syndrome, and Cds with training materials. Each of these CDs will deal with how professionals, volunteers and relatives should approach the various stages they will be going through. Each CD will deal with the topics that are of most concern in a visual and user-friendly style and which, according to the needs analysis conducted previously, appear to be most lacking in adequate training resources (the three or four most significant topics will be focussed on)

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PoD official brochure.

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Progress report Public part.

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Produkte

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Produkt 'Profesional traininf of parents of syndrome down children'

Titel: Profesional traininf of parents of syndrome down children

Produkttyp: DVD

Marketing Text: Dissemination on a regional, national and European level, and throughout the entire development of the project of the added value of the One-to-One Teaching-Learning Model to be tested in a rural setting.

Integration of all the members of the partnership in the tasks of disseminating the outcomes of the project.

With respect to structuring the project, a specific committee is intended to be set up to develop the strategic Plan for Diffusion of the project. Special mention should be made of the role played by the Instituto Aragonés de Asuntos Sociales (Aragonese Department of Social Services), spearheading the diffusion activities, whose main aim in the Project is to disseminate its outcomes on a European level, together with all the other members, who will take part in disseminating the project on a national and European level.

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Diffusion activities will include the following:

- Activities derived directly from the associations and institutions run by the shoe industry and related European sectors (participation in associations, delivery of information leaflets, formal and informal presentations).
- Fairs, Workshops and Congresses in which members are taking part.
- 3 Conferences organised by the members to present their project and its outcomes.
- Development of information and awareness-raising campaigns addressing the beneficiary group.
- Development of information and training campaigns for training purposes
- Diffusion using communities of practice
- Diffusion using other virtual communities

The transnational meetings will also be used to issue press releases on the situation of the project and its outcomes. The participation of press offices and those in charge of communication for the members will also be important.

Dissemination of the experiment on a regional, national and European level and throughout the entire development of the project. Integration of all the members of the partnership in tasks involving dissemination. Facilitating the implementation of the One-to-One Model in the countries participating in the project and in other interested agents on a European level.

Zielgruppe: Targets

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Resultat: The consortium includes different legal institutions in order to give the consortium a wide target group. Life Long Learning, Leonardo da Vinci, National Agencies database have been useful in order to find the appropriate partner. Fundacion Down para la Discapacidad Psíquica, the leader partner, knows the other two Spanish partners, particularly its work-relation with IASS is from years ago.

Most of the partners have a hugh experience in European Project and they are excellent and active institutions in their respective area.

The target group of the project, parents, relativities or people working with Syndrome Down People, create obviously the need partners specialist in that group will be part of the consortium. They are Fundacion Down para la Discapacidad Psíquica from Spain, Asociatia Langdon Down Oltenia centrul educational Teodora from Romania and Family and Childcare Centre from Greece. The last two ones are associations and the other is a foundation.

PoD project has a big new technology profile since it is going to be designed an innovative training tool by using the new technologies. For this reason it is necessary technological specialist partners. Master-D from Spain is expert in creating new models of training by using new technologies and Pragma Engineering from Italy has experience in developing software focused on people with special needs. Both of them are private companies.

Finally Aragonese Institute of Social Services (IASS) is the public face of the project. It recognized institution has a high experience in law and institutional area of disabled people so it will give the project a very interesting point of view. At the same time this partner will do a great value in valorisation activities due to its contacts with other public institutions and a lot of networks.

All the partners, except the leader one (Fundacion Down para la Discapacidad Psíquica) have been involved in European projects focused on people with special needs. The coordinator partner (Master-D) and the rest of the consortium will help and wrap the leader one for reaching the objectives of the project. It is sure is going to be a great first experience in European Projects for Fundacion Down para la Discapacidad Psíquica.

All the key staff involves in the project speak English so the project language will be English and all the documentation and meetings will be in that language.

Master-D will coordinate the project and all the doubts will appear for administrative issues will be made to it and Master-D will answer or translate the doubts to the leader partner (Fundacion Down para la Discapacidad Psíquica) or to the Executive Agency according with the nature doubts.

Each task have a leader so all the documentation, reports, researchs... would be sent to the leader of the task in order to it will assure the quality of the outcomes and products according to the internal quality indicators of the project.

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Resultat: The project will have a web-site with a private area for the partnership where will contain all the main documents of the project. On the other hand it will be created a address list project e-mail in order to facilitate the communication between all the consortium. The Spanish partners have already work together and the communication issues were excellent so it is hopefully the project communication will be successful.

In fact all the partners contributed to prepare this proposal with good atmosphere.

Anyway if it will exit some conflict Master-D (the coordinator project) would resolve it and if it is necessary the External Evaluator will help to resolve that.

Anwendungsbereich: The creation of this tool means an innovation regarding the currently existing materials on two basic issues. First, the same document spans all stages of life and in all spheres: psycho-affective, health, educational, social, work, etc., with special emphasis on those important times in the development that need special support: birth, school, adolescence, adulthood... It should be pointed out that this is not an attempt to make a glossary of difficulties, but rather to show how persons with Down Syndrome can develop with specific kinds of support.

On the other hand, the type of material, basically visual, will allow us to reach all kinds of families, regardless of their socio-economic level. Also important is message relevance, with different testimonies from professionals, families and persons with Down Syndrome. This will allow easy identification with the message. Thus, we want families to be involved in the development process of their children by feeling they can count on professionals' support and trusting in being able to achieve the highest goals.

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