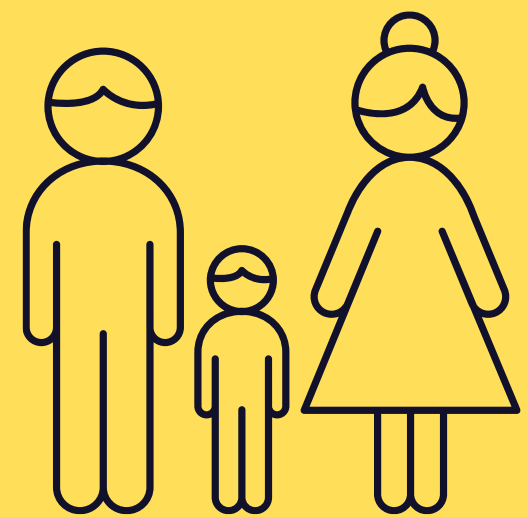


CALL FOR A STRONGER PREVENTION OF CHILD INSTITUTIONALISATION

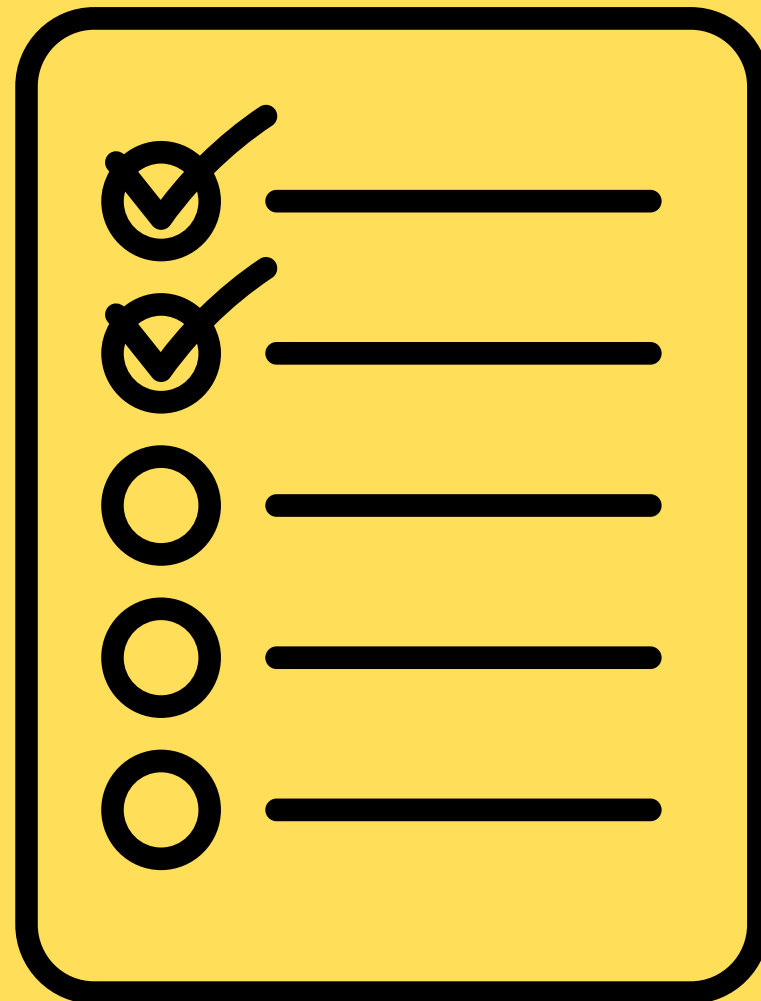
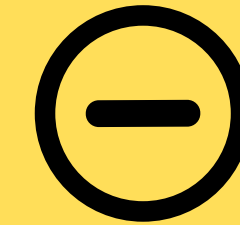
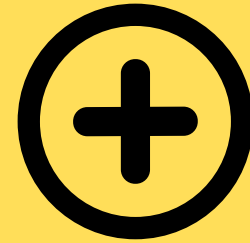
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THE CHILD GUARANTEE SETS MOMENTUM FOR DI, BUT MORE CAN BE DONE...



- Many NAPs target child institutionalization drivers: poverty, lack of access to services
- Child Guarantee EU Monitoring and Evaluation Framework include indicators on children in alternative care
- 2024 Commission Recommendation on developing and strengthening integrated child protection systems: has a chapter on DI

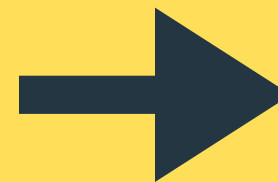
- 40% of children in alternative care in the EU are still living in large institutions
- Parents of children with disabilities and at risk lack support
- A minority of countries include measures on the creation of systems of Early Childhood Intervention

PREVENTING INSTITUTIONALISATION



PREVENTATIVE MEASURES

- FAMILY SUPPORT
- PERSONAL ASSISTANCE
- COMMUNITY-BASED SUPPORT
- EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERVENTION
- FOSTER CARE PROGRAMMES



EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERVENTION

- FOR CHILDREN WITH OR AT RISK OF DISABILITIES & DEVELOPMENTAL ISSUES
- INDIVIDUALISED PLANS OF SUPPORT AROUND FAMILY/CHILD NEEDS
- COACHING FAMILIES
- STRENGTH-BASED
- REQUIRES SYSTEMS STARTING FROM IDENTIFICATION, ASSESSMENTS



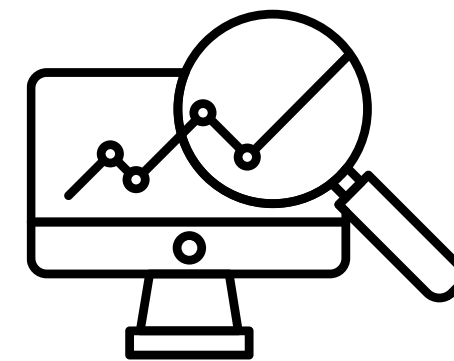
WE NEED



**PREVENTION
& ECI**



**FAMILY
SUPPORT**



**NEW MEASURES
& MONITORING**





NATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Prioritize prevention in NAPs
2. Strengthen family and community services.
3. Advocate disability rights, dismantle barriers.
4. Support family reunification, independent living.
5. Ensure children's meaningful participation.
6. Combat stigma and discrimination.
7. Disaggregate data across all sectors.
8. Monitor prevention and align national to EU monitoring.



EU RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Exchange measures on deinstitutionalisation
2. Formulate EU guidelines on DI for children
3. Increase EU financial tools to create prevention systems
4. Ensure UN CRPD implementation
5. Cooperate to Implement measures on DI in 2024
Recommendation on social protection for children

EEG RESOURCES

EU Guidance on
independent
living and
inclusion in the
community



EU FUNDS CHECKLIST TO
PROMOTE INDEPENDENT
LIVING AND
DEINSTITUTIONALISATION



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