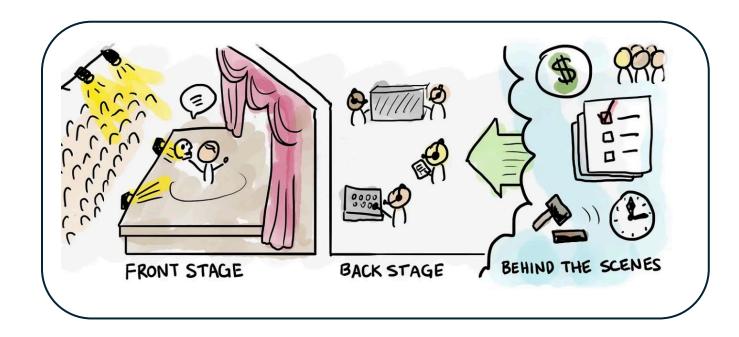
Cross-Sectoral Cooperation and Multidisciplinary Approaches - experiences from Sweden

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System-level insights and practical examples

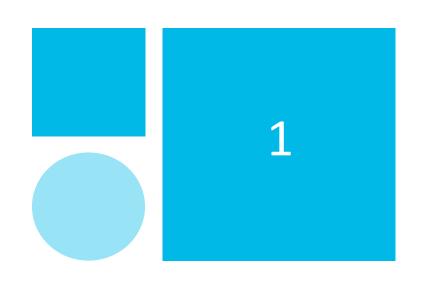
1. Needs



4. Policy agenda and legislative framework

2. Arenas

3. Competence and capacity

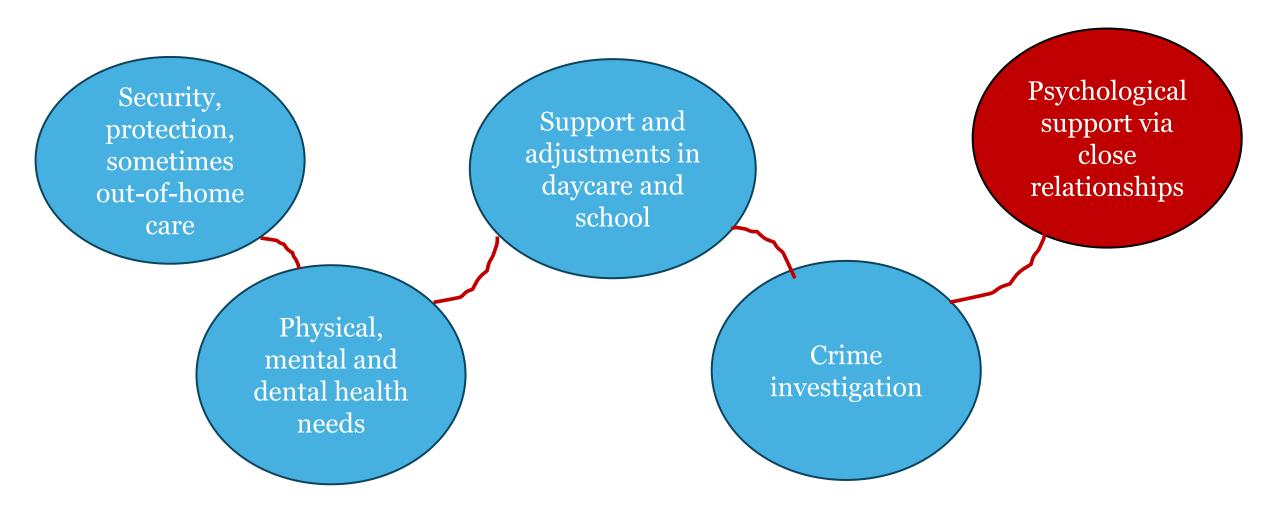


Understanding the needs

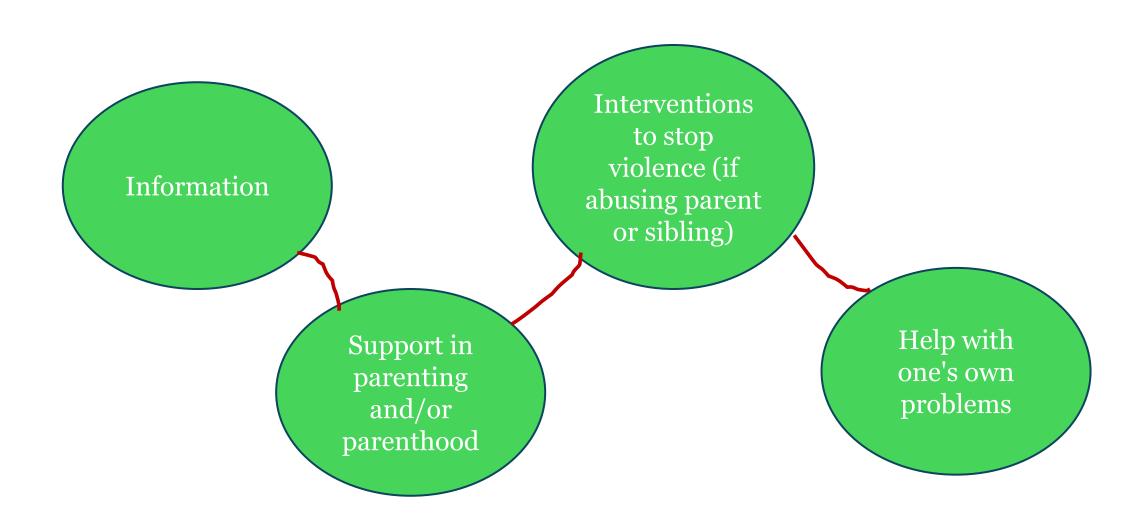
	FETUS	INFANT (0-3)	TODDLER (3-6)	SCHOOL AGE (7-12)	TEEN AGE (13-17)	YOUNG ADULT (18-24)
Child	Foundation	Attachment, self- regulation, communication BASIC TRUST	Self-regulation, peer contacts, communication AUTONOMY	Peer contacts, learning INITIATIVE	Peer contacts, learning, personality development IDENTITY	Independent life, education, job INTIMACY
Parents	Own childhood experiences, expectations	Bonding, models for parenthood and parenting CARE, DISCIPLIN	Boundaries, rules CARE, DISCIPLIN	Rules TRAINING	Care vs independence COACHING	Support for independent adult life FRIENDSHIP
Risks	Parental abuse, IPV	Exposure to violence incl. neglect Parental abuse, MH problems, IPV	Exposure to violence incl. neglect Parental abuse, MH problems, IPV	Exposure to bullying, peer and online victimization	Exposure to bullying, peer and online victimization incl dating violence, criminality, risky environments, marginalization	Abuse, IPV, criminality, marginalization
Protection	Partner, network	Temperament Network, preschool	Temperament Network, preschool, siblings	Cognitive and creative abilities Siblings, peers, school, hobbies	Cognitive and creative abilities Siblings, peers, school, hobbies	Siblings, peers, partner, work, hobbies
Typical problems	-	Sleeping, feeding, ESSENCE, attachment	ESSENCE incl. ASD, speech, behavior, fears	Behavior, learning difficulties, ADHD, anxiety	Anxiety, depression, suicidality, NSSI, psychosis, abuse, behavior	Anxiety, depression, suicidality, NSSI, psychosis, abuse, personality disorders
Key actors	Maternal health care	Child health care, CPS, preschool, Adult psychiatry, counseling	Child health care, CPS, habilitation, preschool Adult psychiatry, counseling	School and school heath care, CAMHS, CPS	School and school health care, CAMHS, CPS, police	Adult psychiatry, social services incl. employment service, police

SCHOOL

What kinds of needs do the children exposed to violence have?

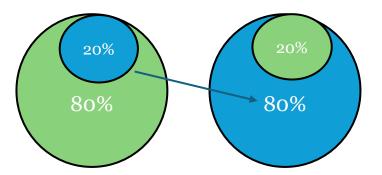


What kind of needs do parents and families have?



Segmentation

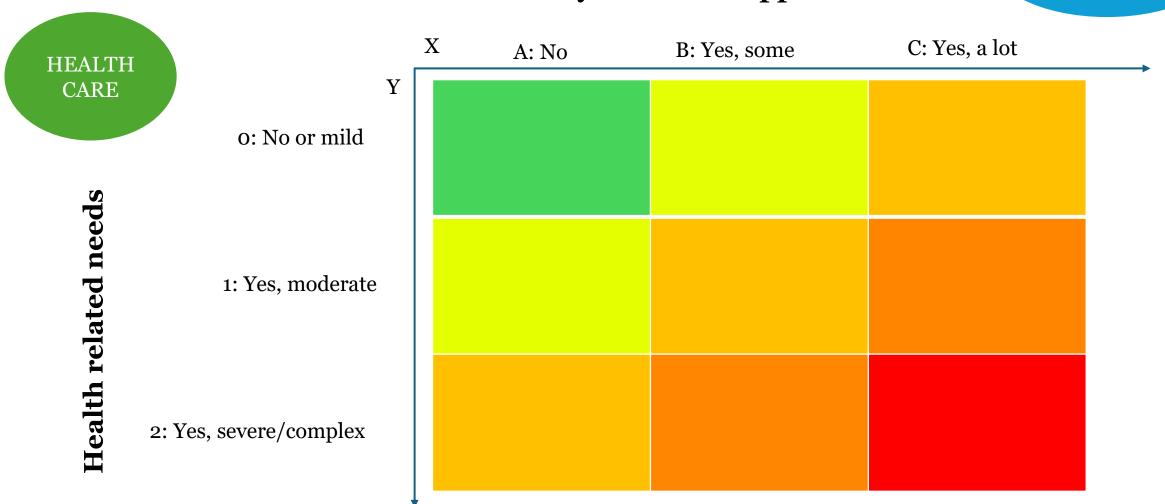
- Grouping based on similar needs
- Aims to allocate existing resources to match different needs
- Allow more tailored services
- Done when assessing the needs
- Focus on
 - → Frequent use of services, increasing use, very specific needs, unpredictable use of services (eg, visits to emergency room)
 - → Health-related risks and circumstances that increase vulnerability

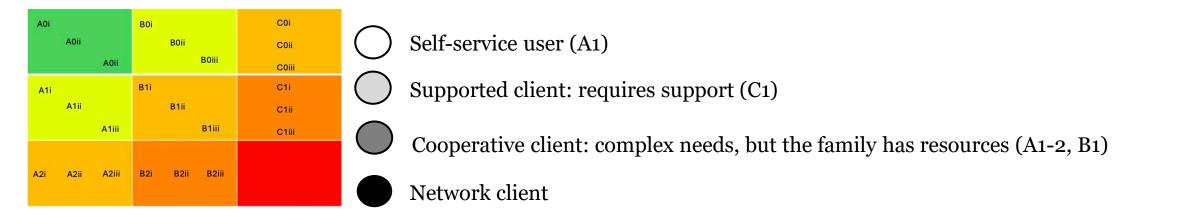


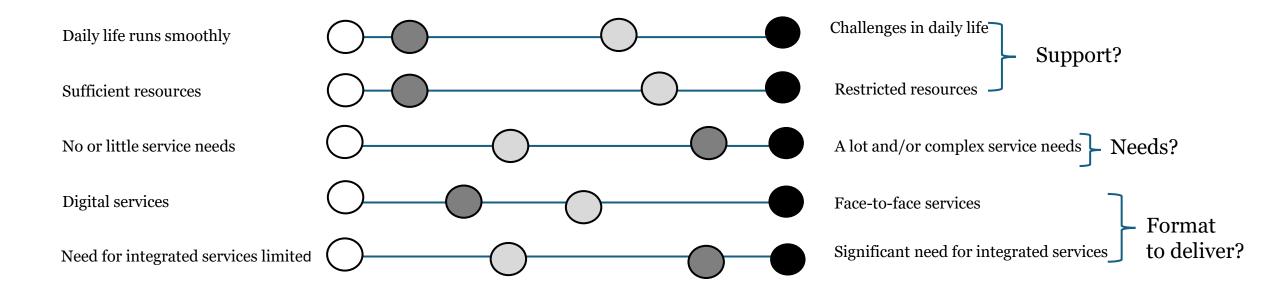
Segmentation based on the needs

CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES

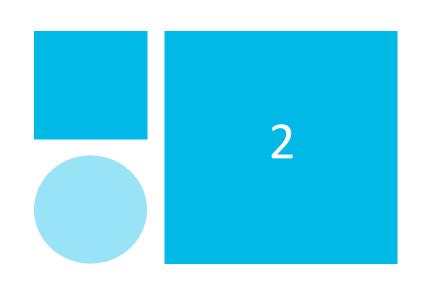
Psychosocial support needs



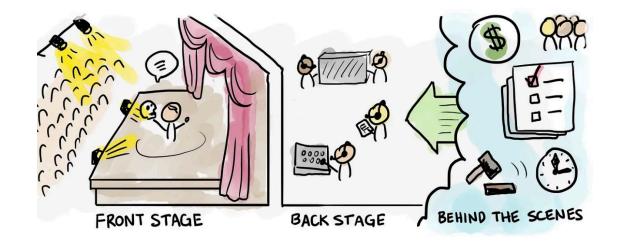




Various service user groups



Models for integrated services



WHY?

Needs

WHAT?

Prevention Evidence-based interventions

WHERE?

F2F, online, multiple arenas

HOW?

Timely and effective services Continuum of services Integration of services Patient public involvement

WHO?

Multi-professional

Multi-disciplinary Interdisciplinary Transdisciplinary

Inter-agency cooperation, collaboration, coordination

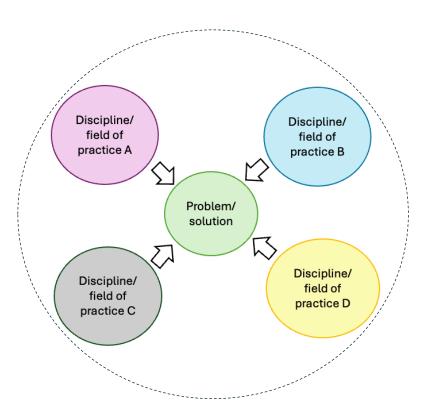
HOW?

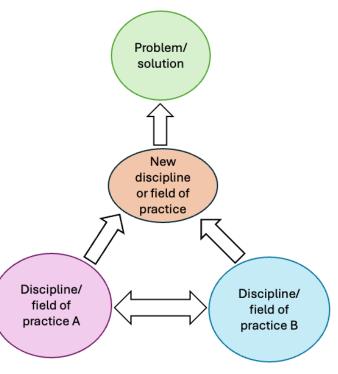
Roles, mandates Agreements Budget Legislation, eg, secrecy rules

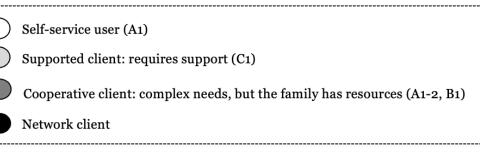
Level of operation

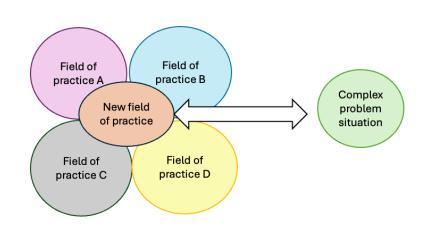
- Cooperation: the process of working with another organization to achieve something
 - Working in parallel and/or sequentially
- **Collaboration:** the <u>act</u> of working together with other people or organizations to create or achieve *something*
 - Working together
 - Team, consultant, referrals
- **Coordination:** the <u>process of organizing</u> the different activities or people involved in *something* so that they work together effectively
 - Within and in-between

Approaches









Multidisciplinary

Interdisciplinary

Transdisciplinary

Management and casting

Director

- Leadership management
- Formal vs substance
 - Manager (pair) eg, health care and CPS
 - Coordinator (pair)
- Producer (case manager)
 - Contact for the client
 - Communication (internally, externally)
 - Coordinates the services for the client

Actors

- Produce services
- Consultant



Example 1: Family center

- Community resource for parents, children and spouses
- Co-location of maternal health care, child health care, open preschool, and social services with preventive activities
 - All the regular activities are carried out by each party in the family center
 - The municipality and health care providers coordinate their resources to enable easy and accessible **interdisciplinary collaboration**
 - **Multiprofessional competences** present: midwives, child health nurses, preschool teachers and social workers, family counselors, dental professionals, and psychologists.
- Health-promoting, general, early prevention and support activity and meeting place that is adapted to the life situation of the whole family
 - Gateway to services
 - Risk families, less well-resourced neighborhoods

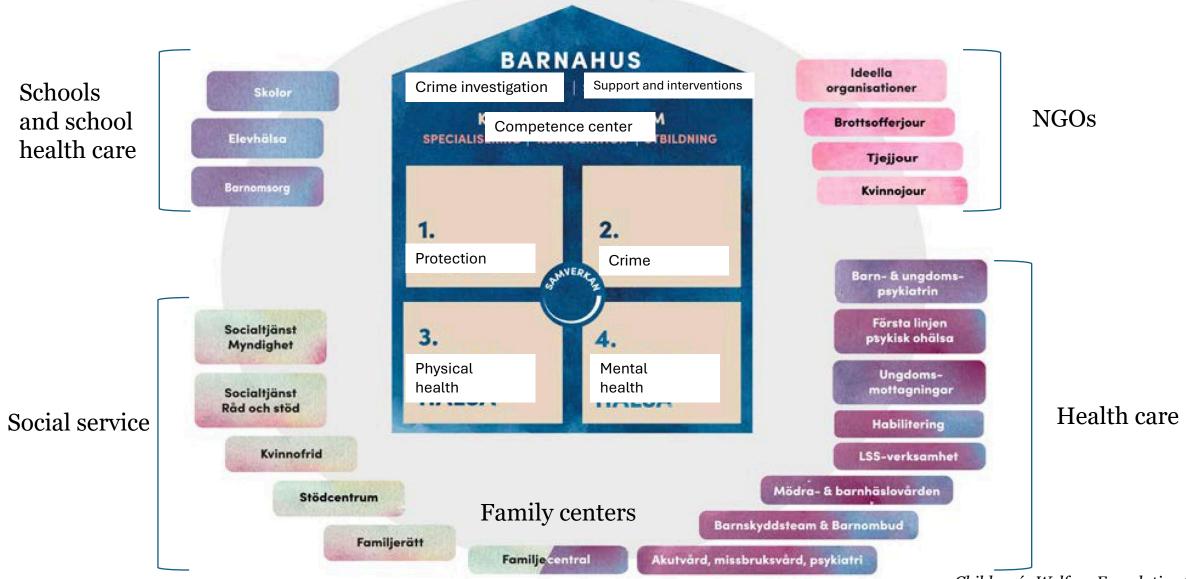
Example 2: Hälsofam

- Target group: Children in out-of-home care
- A modified Medical Home model
- Provides a comprehensive **multi-disciplinary** evaluation of children and youth, 0-18 years, who are referred by child protective services (CPS) upon entry into out-of-home care
- Pediatric and mental health evaluation
- Team: physician specialists in paediatric and adolescent health, specialist paediatric nurses, and child psychologists, all of whom are experienced providers of trauma-informed care.
- Two follow-up visits within a year after the initial evaluation to ensure that the healthcare plan developed on the initial visit in coordination with CPS has been complied with
- At discharge from Hälsofam, a new health care plan including referrals to general paediatrics or to adult healthcare (if needed)

Example 3: OOCH+CAMHS

- A pilot initiative led by the National Board of Health and Welfare (2019-)
- Target group: individuals facing complex issues requiring multiple forms of support
- Merges involuntary out-of-home care (OOHC) with Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) and includes cooperation with Child Protective Services (CPS) termed "integrated care"
- Delivered Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (CAP) evaluations and interventions at the OOHC facility (for the child and their support network)
 - Eg, counselling, emotion regulation training, skills development, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR), and Trauma-Focused CBT (TF-CBT)
- Conducted risk assessments (SAVRY, ERASOR)
- A multidisciplinary team comprising CAP specialists, psychologists, counsellors, occupational therapists, and administrative staff
- Personnel from the CAMHS unit were present at the OOHC facility
- The engagement of staff at the OOHC facility is crucial; competence -build ing activities

Example 4: Integrated model support at and around Barnahus

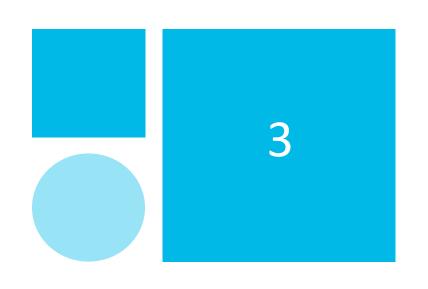


Children's Welfare Foundation Sweden

Example of support - Barnahus Linköping

- Crisis support "Efter barnförhöret"
 - Family visit after child interrogation; focus on the child's rights
 - Information about child ren's rights, violence, and its consequences, ways to support families
 - Opportunity for /children to express their thoughts and experiences
 - Further referring to services
- CFTSI (Child and family Traumatic Stress intervention)
 - Early intervention to reduce traumatic stress reactions, 7-18 yrs
- TF-CBT (trauma focused cognitive behavioral therapy), parent participating
 - Indication:PTSD, from 3 years
- CPC-CBT (combined-child-parent cognitive behavioral therapy)
 - Indication: families with existing or at-risk physical abuse





Competence and capacity building

The role of Barnafrid

- National Competence Centre
- Governmental decision in 2015
- Assignments
 - Collect and disseminate knowledge about violence against children
 - Promote interdisciplinary research
 - Develop methods
 - Promote collaboration and cooperation between authorities and other actors
 - Annually report urgent development areas to the Government
- Other fixed-term assignments



Partners

Public authorities
Municipalities
Counties
Provincial governments
NGOs, NPOs, CSOs
Universities, university
colleges
Individual researchers
and experts
International actors

Activities

Communication
National network
meetings
Lecture series
Webinars
Conferences
Training
Publications
R&D

Value proposition

Quality-assured knowledge that creates solution power

Better at your job!

Channels

Homepage
Social media
Newsletter
Digital knowledge portal
Lecture series
Meetings, networks, and
other events
Feedback surveys
Focus groups, including
youth panels

Customer segments

Health care
Child protection services
Preschools and schools
Law and enforcement,
including barnahus
Governmental agencies
NGO, NPO, CSO
Universities and university
colleges
Professionals, experts
Students
International actors

Resources

Multidisciplinary team
Multisectoral expertise
Interdisciplinary expertise
Digital communication and training infrastructure

Funding

Core funding from the Swedish government Support from Linköping University Extern project and research funding Participation fees (non-profit)

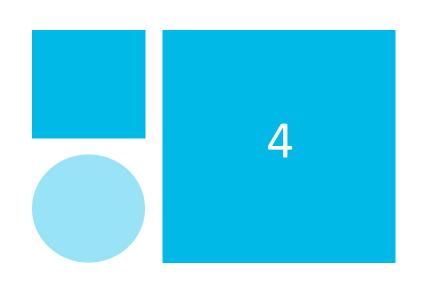
Fundamental values

Principles of public administration: democracy, legality, objectivity, free expression of opinion, democracy, respect, efficiency, and service.

Principles of Linköping University's value base: credibility, trust, and accountability.

The UN-CRC, the Agenda 2030 SDGs

National policies and legislative frameworks



Policies and frameworks

Overview of the national policy agenda and legislative framework

Mandatory reporting to CPS

 Professionals working with children

National strategy to combat gender-based violence

• Updated 10-year strategy in process

National strategy to combat violence against children

- In process
- Prevention, identification, support, and childfriendly justice

National strategy for mental health and suicide prevention

- 2025-2034
- 27 agencies involved
- Coordinated by
 The National
 Public Health
 Agency and the
 National Board of
 Health and Welfare

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Extra slides (if needed)

Segmentation

Needs matched support



Primary health

Psychoeducation, self-help

Online services, group interventions

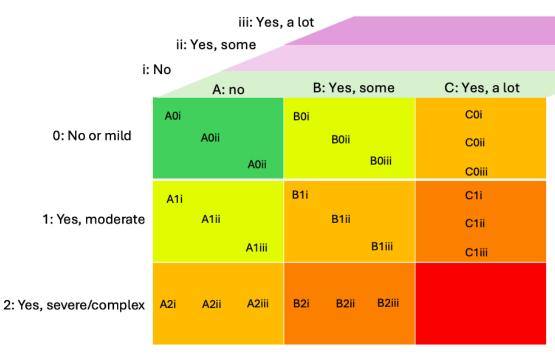
Focused individual

Tailored

Specialized health care

PRESCHOOL, SCHOOL CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES

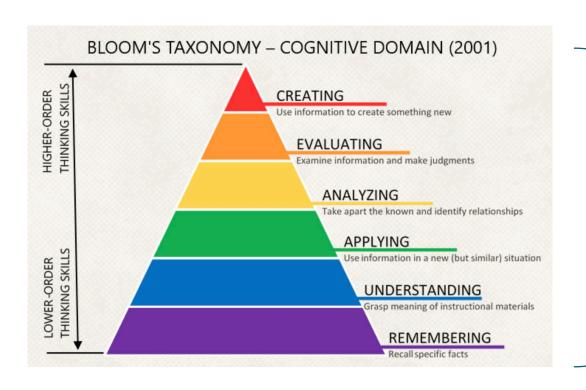
Counselling \rightarrow out of home care

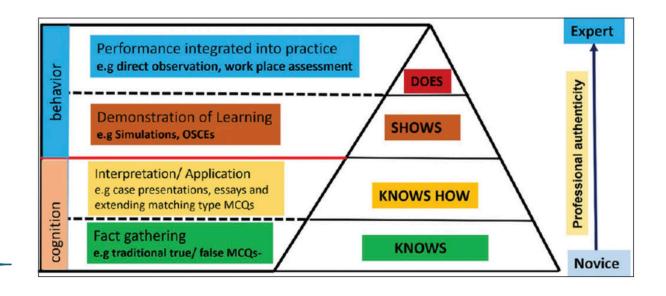


Barnafrid

Information, knowledge, competence, capacity

From simple to complex





From beginner to expert

National networks

- Social services
- CAMHS
- CAMHS Trauma-specialists
- Child and youth with problematic sexual behavior
- Child abuse pediatrics teams
- Barnahus, Barnahus coordinator
- Student health/preschool/school
- Civil society
- University teachers involved in VAC education
- Women's shelters



Digital knowledge portal

- Approximately 6000-7000 users per month
- Online training courses and materials
- Method bank
- Resource bank
- Library on reports etc

Välkommen till Barnafrids kunskapsportal!

Kunskapsportalen är en samlingsplats för yrkesverksamma som möter barn i sitt arbete. Portalen innehåller digitala utbildningar, publikationer och metodstöd om våld mot barn, baserad på forskning och beprövad erfarenhet.

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SAMLAD KUNSKAP OCH FORSKNING KUNSKapsbibliotek

Barnafrids kunskapsbibliotek är en samling av publikationer och annat material till dig som söker kunskap om barn som utsatts för våld och andra övergrepp.



STÖD OCH VERKTYG

Formulär och metodstöd

Här hittar du formulär på svenska och andra metodstöd som verktyg i ditt arbete.



Gå till biblioteket

ANDRA MYNDIGHETER OCH KUNSKAPSBANKER

Resursbanken

Se utbudet av utbildningar

Vi har sammanställt en lista med fler resursbanker om våld mot barn, tillgängliga av andra myndigheter och kunskapscentrum.

Hitta andra resursbanker

INSPELADE FÖRELÄSNINGAR

Föreläsningar

Här samlas inspelade föreläsningar på temat våld mot barn.

Gå till föreläsningar

Courses

University-level courses

- Violence against children in theory and practice (7.5 ECTS)
- TF-CBT (7.5hp), TF-CBT supervision (7.5 ECTS)
- To teach about violence against children in universities and university colleges (3 ECTS, higher education pedagogy)
- Child and Adolescent Psychiatry 15 ECTS

E-learning

- Basic curriculum on violence against children
- Child psychiatric trauma care
- Coding of child maltreatment in health care (ICD-11)
- Barnahus
- Problematic sexual behavior among children and youth
- Nonsuicidal self-injury

In-depth training

- Preschool
- Children with disabilities
- Child participation
- (School)
- (Family centers)
- (Family court)

National web-seminars

- Barnafrid Talks
 - Interdisciplinary research seminars
- Inspirations lunches
 - Practical good examples



Reports and other material

- Reports, guidelines
- Screening and diagnostic instruments
- Work books
- Tool box



