



World health organisation  
Collaborating Centre for Research  
and Training in Mental Health



# WHO CC

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in Mental Health**

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# VALUES

## WE DEFEND WITH THE WHO

The WHO CC shares and develops the values and vision of the World Health Organization and aims to **improve the quality of health care, conditions of life, access to health care and the rights of users and carers in mental health.**



### Users EMPOWERMENT

Full participation of citizens, whether users or not, in the development of quality mental health services.



### COMMUNITY Mental health

Promotion of integrated and community-based psychiatry services.



### Fighting STIGMATIZATION

Fighting stigmatization of people with mental disorders and promoting mental health.



### RESEARCH & TRAINING

Development of research, training and information networks in mental health.



# PROGRAMS

DEVELOPED BY THE WHO CC

## Promoting Community Mental Health Services

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### VISITS PLANNING

The WHO CC is based in a psychiatry and social inclusion service integrated in the city, validated by WHO as an example of good practice. The centre is a platform for visits and training for professionals, politicians and NGOs. Since 2000, it has been welcoming around 100 professionals per year.

### SUPPORTING DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNCILS

The WHOCC has been the National Resource and Support Centre for Local Mental Health Councils since January 1, 2017. It intervenes at the local level, by presenting the LMHC approach to local stakeholders, transmitting documents, helping to sustain existing mechanisms and, at the national level, by piloting the national training of coordinators, sensitizing local authorities, publishing guides and recommendations, organizing national and regional meetings, etc.

For more information: [www.clsm-ccoms.org](http://www.clsm-ccoms.org)

### MENTAL HEALTH IN GENERAL POPULATION: IMAGES AND REALITY

MHGP is a multi-centre international action-research initiative led by the WHO CC since 1997. Useful in identifying mental health needs and necessary for assessing perceptions of mental health, this research is a tool to assist in the development of local and national mental health policies.

### CARE WITHOUT CONSENT PROGRAMS

This study, carried out in collaboration with the institutions of the health-care cooperation group (GCS) for mental health research and training and IRDES, aims to establish a typology of mental health practices in several institutions (EPSM Lille Métropole, CH Charcot, CH Saint Maurice, Fondation Bon Sauveur de la Manche). This inventory of practices and representations will serve the prism of recovery.

# PROGRAMS DEVELOPED BY THE WHO CC

## Empowerment of users and carers

### PARTICIPATION OF USERS AND CARERS IN THE REVISION OF THE 11TH INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES (ICD 11)

### WHO QUALITYRIGHTS PROGRAM

This program provides tools for assessing human rights in mental health and social care facilities. It also provides training modules on related topics. The WHOCC translated these documents and supports the implementation in France and Frenchspeaking countries.

WHO has included the participation of all stakeholders involved in ICD in its review process, including users and carers. This participatory process is thus part of a democratic, citizen-centred vision of mental health. It is intended to promote communication between professionals, users and caregivers, thereby enhancing the clinical utility of the classification system. In this perspective, the WHO CC has set up an international research program involving 16 countries in which users and carers are consulted on the essential characteristics of two diagnoses: depressive episode and schizophrenia.

### PEER SUPPORT WORKER PROGRAM

Since 2012, the Peer Support Workers program has been used to train and hire ex-users of mental health services who have recovered or are recovering, in hospitals and medico-social structures. It is organized around training in mental health mediation and the valorization of experiential knowledge. The theoretical training has been provided since January 2018 by Bobigny Paris 13 University in collaboration with the WHO CC, as part of a specific degree course in Health and Social Sciences. Vocational training takes place in parallel within the psychiatric services and medical-social structures that have recruited peer support workers.

### FIGHTING AGAINST THE PHYSICAL COMORBIDITIES OF MENTAL DISORDERS

The goal of the COPsyCAT program is to combat comorbidities, specifically cardiovascular, to collect and analyze available data, and then develop and evaluate a program to promote physical health for people with mental disorders. This empowerment strategy, carried out with the institutions of the GCS for mental health research and training, aims to reduce the cardiovascular risks of people with long-term mental disorders. This program is aimed at people who are under the care of a psychiatry service and who are on long-term affection (ALD30) for psychiatric reasons.

## New technologies and mental health

### E-MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

E-Health, telemedicine, digital health promotion... Behind these expressions is emerging a management of health transformed by the use of new technologies. The WHO CC has invested this field of research by getting involved in the projects:

- eMEN: Platform for innovation and transnational

implementation of e-mental health in North-Western Europe.

- EQUIME - Qualitative study of expectations, needs and uses of M-Health (e-health technology in mental health) by all stakeholders.

# TRAININGS

COORDINATED BY THE WHO CC

## MENTAL HEALTH IN THE COMMUNITY INTER-UNIVERSITY DEGREE

The WHO CC coordinates with the Universities of Paris, Marseille and Lille, the inter-university degree "Mental health in the community" whose objective is to offer theoretical and practical training in mental health in the community and its applications in the organization of psychiatric care services, promotion and prevention of mental health, the fight against stigmatization and exclusion.

## NATIONAL SCHOOL OF MAGISTRATES

For the past seven years, the WHO CC has been in charge of directing and leading the continuing training of magistrates on "Psychiatry and criminal justice" at the National School of Magistrates. About 40 people are trained every year for a week.

## TRAINING OF LMHC COORDINATORS

The WHO Collaborating Centre organizes, in partnership with Psycom and CNFPT, a national training course entitled "Coordinating and dynamizing a Local Mental Health Council". This training enables coordinators and promoters of the LMHCs to better understand the stakes and levers of action of these local councils.

# GCS



The purpose of the health-care cooperation group (GCS), whose scientific council is that of the WHO CC, is to research, train and implement actions aimed at the development of integrated mental health systems in the community, including prevention and integration. The group works to promote professional exchanges and any action to combat stigmatization in mental health and psychiatry. The GCS relays the WHO recommendations at national and local level and highlights all the studies and experiences of its members in the field of community / integrated mental health.

## THE 25 MEMBERS OF THE GCS

- EPSM Lille Métropole – Armentières
- CH de Cadillac-sur-Garonne
- CH La Chartreuse – Dijon
- CH Edouard Toulouse – Marseille
- MGEN – Lille
- CASH de Nanterre
- CH Sainte Marie – Nice
- CH Sainte Anne – Paris
- Centre Psychothérapique - Nancy
- CHS de la Savoie – Chambéry
- CH Jean-Martin Charcot – Plaisir
- CH Guillaume Régnier – Rennes
- CH de Montéran – Saint-Claude
- CESAME - Saint Gemme sur Loire
- Hopitaux de Saint Maurice
- EPSM de la Réunion – Saint-Paul
- Fondation Bon Sauveur de la Manche
- CH de Rouffach
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