



Mental health In Youth and Education

Policy context and key documents on promotion
social inclusion and preventing social exclusion

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The Policy Context



↪ In the 2006-2008 National Reports on Strategies for Social Protection and Social Inclusion, governments pledge to develop a strategic, integrated and long-term approach to preventing and addressing poverty and social exclusion among children.



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Child poverty has been a key priority of the Community Programme for Employment and Social Solidarity (Progress) and has been highlighted in successive reports produced by the European Commission.



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Addressing child poverty is crucial to the achievement of greater social cohesion and sustainable social and economic development in Europe.

To this end, the European Union continues its efforts on mainstreaming child poverty in national and European Union policy making, strengthening the indicators for measuring and evaluating the progress, taking into account the voices of the affected children, and raising public awareness on the issue.



Key documents



- Child Poverty and Well-Being in the EU - Current status and way forward (17 January 2008).
- Joint Report on Social Protection and Social Inclusion 2007 Social inclusion, pensions, healthcare and long time care (March 2007).
- A more cohesive society for a stronger Europe - 2007 Information leaflet on the Open Method of coordination
- Europe's demographic future: Facts and figures on challenges and opportunities (October 2007).

Link: http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/spsi/publications_en.htm



Best practice



- [Preventing the risks of exclusion of families with difficulties](#)
- [Clearing: assistance for young people with special needs in their transition from school to working life](#)
- [Local alliances for the family: Reconciliation of work and family life](#)

Link: http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/spsi/child_poverty_en.htm



Social services of general interest



- The Commission [White Paper on services of general interest](#) (May 2004).
- The Commission [Communication on social services of general interest in the European Union](#) (April 2006).
- The [Communication on services of general interest, including social services of general interest](#) (November 2007).



For further information



http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/spsi/child_poverty_en.htm

http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/spsi/joint_reports_en.htm#2008

http://ec.europa.eu/employment_social/spsi/common_objectives_en.htm

