Drug abuse and drug addictions present one of the major challenges to European health policy – both in the sense of govern- ment responsibility towards the citizens and in terms of societal acceptance of the drug use. Consequently, it is highly important to offer support to young people striving to stay drug-free ever since in order to prevent them from sliding into dependency. The project FreD goes net is based on the German intervention model: “Early – Daily Intervention for First Nutters” Drug Offenders”. FreD goes net is not “a transfer of the classic project approach to various European countries and includes close cooperation with the police or the judicial system in cases of compulsory consumptions of illegal drugs (mostly cannabis). Apart from this the project comprises a further development of success models with respect to their adaptability to different national and cultural conditions as well as work shops and exchanges with young people already at risk to drug counseling services. The LWL – Coordination Office for Drug Related Issues is the organizing institution of both the German and European project, 16 further partners from Europe involved. The most challenging aspect within this project was to adapt a proven national concept to the different cultural, (drug) political and economic conditions of the participating countries. This adaptation and implementation of the project was successfully performed in all countries and resulted in a testable intervention concept. Furthermore evaluation of the intervention was positive in terms of the effects achieved (e.g. change of attitudes towards drug consumption and reduction or termination of drug use with the participating youth). Many European countries show a gap in their support system regarding effective ways for drug counseling, particularly for dependent young people. The FreD project contributor to closing this gap.

“Early intervention in Europe – what can we learn from each other?”

This is the slogan of the 1st international final conference of the European project FreD goes net in Münster, Germany. The conference aims at discussing the results and experiences of FreD goes net with international experts. After a general introduction from the European Health and Consumer Protection Programme and the Federal Ministry of Health, Berlin, as the main funding partners, we will further discuss how these countries will contribute to the health policy and health care systems of their countries, and what can be learnt from them. Furthermore, the poster exhibition of FreD goes net invite to their final conference, expressing their thanks for the financial Support from European Union’s Public Health ... theme of course FreD goes net. At the same time we seek to encourage greater use of expertise and mutual support in Europe.

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