

Development of a common training programme for ABI caregivers

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Project Information

- Title: Development of a common training programme for ABI caregivers
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- Project Type: Development of Innovation
- Status: granted
- Country: EU-Centralised Projects
- Marketing Text: An international project under the 2009 Call for Proposals for the Leonardo da Vinci Multilateral Projects of Innovation started on October 1st 2009. The project was lead by a large international Consortium with a compliment of 8 partners, 4 from Slovenia and 4 from Austria, France, Hungary and Belgium. The overall aim of project ABI is to build better lives for people with ABI and those affected by it by improving the quality of care and support given to them. During the past two years the ABI Partnership has developed and tested a basic training programme, which will provide staff the specific skills, knowledge, attitudes and responsibilities necessary to offer the highest standard of care and support possible.
- Summary: Acquired brain injuries (ABI) are an epidemic of modern society and one of the biggest medico-social problems in the western countries. The consequences of ABI are often extensive and wide ranging and can cause distress and concern for staff working directly with persons with ABI. During the project's two years duration the ABI Partnership has developed and tested a basic training programme, which will provide staff the specific skills, knowledge, attitudes and responsibilities necessary to offer the highest standard of care and support possible. The training programme is based on commonly defined ABI Basic Learning Outcomes, which are the learning objectives expected of each participant by the end of the training. The ABI training programme differs from other brain injury staff training programs. Most training programs are problem-focused as they emphasise the deficits and difficulties. The ABI training programme is centred on the individual with ABI and emphasises the approach, the principles and values that guide practice. An important part of the ABI training programme is also understanding the complexity of ABI, developing appropriate intervention strategies to address the presenting challenges and highlighting available resources that may be of use to staff, persons with ABI and their family members. The ABI Training programme is supported by the ABI Training Manual which will serve as a resource to assist trainees and the ABI Guidelines which will serve as a resource for trainers to prepare and inform themselves so that they can run an effective training course.
- In order to reach sustainability after the project ending the partners have established a follow-up project team to continue developing and promoting the ABI training programme. Partners will concentrate their efforts to implement the training programme into their Education and training systems and to achieve the promotion and support from appropriate stakeholders and decision-makers. Dissemination plans for the future are related to further increase the visibility of project results mainly by enforcing the dissemination channels already used during the project timeframe. The ABI website (www.abi-project.eu) still remains at the centre of the project future dissemination plans. It will be hold online for at least future 5 years. Partners have planned to reuse the knowhow gained during the ABI project in new EU funded projects.

Description: The projects duration was of 25 months. The project activities were divided into 8 separate work packages.
WP1- Overall management and coordination of the project

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WP2- Researching on good practices and development of a common training programme
WP3- Adjustment and further development of the trans-national training programme
WP4- Testing and evaluating the training programme
WP5- Integration of the training programme
WP6- Dissemination Plan
WP7- Exploitation of the results
WP8- Overall quality and evaluation plan.

Themes:

Sectors: * Human Health and Social Work Activities

Product Types: modules
program or curricula
CD-ROM
evaluation methods
transparency and certification
teaching material
website

Product information: The most tangible result of the project is the training programme. The final version of the training course is divided into 10 working units-modules. The ABI Training programme is set to be delivered as a full-time, comprehensive course (around 40 hours in total), which is followed by a final assessment and the awarding of the ABI certificate. The trainers may decide to use also other learning objectives if it is deemed necessary for additions to be made to the training programme to meet with local requirements. Different course variations adapted to different audiences (eg: family members, etc) can be created. In these cases there will be no final assessment and participants will be given a certificate of attendance/participation.

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Region: Upper Austria
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Organization Type: association/non-governmental organisation
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City: Szombathely
Region: Nyugat-Dunántúl
Country: HU-Hungary
Organization Type: association/non-governmental organisation
Homepage: <http://www.rszfk.hu>

Partner 3

Name: European Association of Service providers for persons with disabilities
City: Brussels
Region: Bruxelles Cap, Brussel Hof
Country: BE-Belgium
Organization Type: association/non-governmental organisation
Homepage: <http://www.easpd.eu>

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City: Kranj
Region: Slovenija
Country: SI-Slovenia
Organization Type: association/non-governmental organisation
Homepage: <http://www.zavod-korak.si>

Partner

Partner 5

Name: Mutualite Francaise Anjou-Moyenne- Arceau-Anjou
City: Angers
Region: Pays De Loire
Country: FR-France
Organization Type: association/non-governmental organisation
Homepage: <http://www.arceau-anjou.fr>

Partner 6

Name: Varstveno delovni center Nova Gorica
City: Nova Gorica
Region: Slovenija
Country: SI-Slovenia
Organization Type: public institution
Homepage: <http://www.vdcng.si>

Partner 7

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City: Maribor
Region: Slovenija
Country: SI-Slovenia
Organization Type: association/non-governmental organisation
Homepage: <http://www.zavodnaprej.si>

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Product 'Project meetings'

Title: Project meetings

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: Five project milestone meetings were conducted throughout the ABI project implementation life-cycle. ABI project meetings involved all the partners. They were very important as it was an opportunity for the partners to share experiences, problems and ideas, to get acquainted with current performance levels and task progress, to refine planning if necessary, and to work closely on specific aspects of the project. Minute reports of all the meetings have been posted ABI website under the section Documents.

Description: The kick-off meeting took place in Ljubljana on October 15th and 16th 2009. The main objectives of the meeting were to outline the project tasks, deliverables and financial rules and to set the Workpackages activities to be carried out during the following 2 years. The meeting was opened to a wider public.

The 2nd project meeting was held in Angers in France March 11th and 12th. The main aims of the meeting were to outline the ABI Basic Learning Outcomes and to draft the ABI Training programme.

The 3rd project meeting took place in Szombathely in Hungary on November 4th and 5th 2010. The main objectives were to introduce the partner's ideas and suggestions (according to national requirements) concerning:

- the criteria for the selection of trainers,
- the examination tool for the participants at training,
- the overall format of the training programme,
- the structure and content of the ABI training Manual.

Partner also briefly introduced the possibilities in each country for the implementation of the training programme and for the possible linkage of the training programme with the NQFs and EQF.

The 4th project meeting took place in Linz on May 26th and 27th 2011. The aim of the 2-days post-pilot meeting was:

- to present and compare the results of the 3 pilot testings of the ABI training programme that were held in Slovenia, France and Hungary, in April and May,
- to jointly identify necessary modifications and adaptations of the training curriculum and the ABI Manual,
- to come to a mutual agreement regarding the exploitation of all the outcomes/results arising from the collaborative project work jointly carried out by the partners and to allocate the rights and interests among the partners,
- to prepare the final conference in Slovenia.

The project partnership met in Portorož on the Slovenian coast for its final 5th meeting, one day prior to the final ABI conference, on October 20th 2011.

The aims of the meeting were:

- for the contractor to introduce to the partners the final project results: the final ABI leaflet in 5 languages, the ABI Manual and the ABI Guidelines,
- for the partners to summarize the findings of the National Integration reports regarding the future use of the ABI training programme,

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- to make final arrangements regarding the final ABI conference,
- to make an action plan until the submission of the final report to the EC.

Product 'Project meetings'

Target group: All project members.

Result: Smooth functioning of the project.

Area of application: Internal usage.

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

Product 'Report of WP leaders'

Title: Report of WP leaders

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: 16 Wp progress reports were elaborated during the entire period of the project. Interim Wp progress reports indicated the activities that were accomplished during the Wp, the results that were delivered and the workplan for the Wp. Final Wp reports summarized accomplished work in the Wp, and the Wp's findings and results. The reports ensured that all partners were working accordingly towards the main objectives and that possible risks were identified and corrective actions taken, if proven necessary.

Description:

Target group: All project members.

Result: Smooth functioning of the project.

Area of application: Internal usage.

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

Product 'Quality Assurance Plan'

Title: Quality Assurance Plan

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: The Quality Assurance Plan elaborated in within the first 6 months of the project formalized the approach of the ABI project partnership in order to assure the quality of the overall project, of the project results and the deliverables, as well as the project management. The Quality Assurance Plan provided the project partners with a reference for quality assurance procedures to be used during the project

Description:

Target group: All project members.

Result: Smooth functioning of the project.

Area of application: Public

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

product files

Quality Assurance Plan

QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/17/2/QUALITY%20ASSURANCE%20PLAN.pdf>

Product 'Kick-off meeting'

Title: Kick-off meeting

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: The main aim of the kick-off meeting that took place in Ljubljana, Slovenia On October 15th. and 16th. 2009, were to introduce the project idea and raise awareness about it, to outline the project tasks, deliverables and financial rules and to set the Work packages activities to be carried out during the following 2 years. The meeting was opened to a wider public.

Description: The kick-off start meeting took place in Ljubljana in Slovenia for 2 days in October 2009. It was attended by 10 participants from Slovenian partners, 2 per Hungary and France, 3 from Austria and 1 from Belgium. The meeting was public, so non-partner participants were present too both days. The meeting was about discussion and further decision making on project objectives, roles, tasks, planning and adoption of disseminating strategies. The participants got acquainted with each other. The Steering Committee was established.

Target group: . All project members,
• Service users,
• Families, relatives,
• Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
• Professionals and providers working with persons with ABI,
• Professional associations, bodies,
• Policy decision-makers,
• Credentialing bodies

Result: • The smooth functioning of the project
• Awareness of the project and its activities amongst relevant stakeholders and end-users;
• Better understanding of relevant stakeholders and end-users;
• Establishment of partnerships among persons with ABI, service providers and policy decision-makers;

Area of application:

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

Product 'Official project website'

Title: Official project website

Product Type: website

Marketing Text: The ABI website was launched in January 2010. The website has been realized in 5 languages: Slovenian, English, French, German and Hungarian. It is hosted and maintained by the project leader, Center Zarja. It is available at <http://www.abi-project.eu>. Its main purposes are to promote and raise awareness about the project and its results, and to encourage the creation of a community of interest.

Description: The webpage is structured in an easy and accessible way. It contains the following different sections where the project is explained in details:

- The Home page: the home page of the website shortly introduces the ABI project and gives the important relevant information.
- The Introduction page: on this page are described the main goals of the ABI project.
- The Partners page: this webpage section presents a brief description of the project partners and the links to the respective websites.
- The Documents page: deliverables released during the project are listed in this page to be accessed by interested people from outside the Partnership.
- The News page: this page shows general news and events about the project. A list of conferences and events on topics related to ABI and other projects whose goals or activities are linked to ABI project are also shown in this section.
- The Links page: some relevant links are listed there.
- The Contacts page: this section enables people to easily get in touch with the ABI project coordinator (Center Zarja).

The website has been updated on the occasion of any news related to the project (deliverables, reports, meetings, events, etc). The free download of all project outputs is allowed.

A statistics analyser has been activated in March 2010. From the data retrieved from Google Awstats regarding the period between March 2010 until the 31st of October 2011 the website was visited 4,950 times. There have been 2,964 Unique Visitors, 1986 visited the website more than once. For more results from Google Awstats regarding the project website please refer to <http://www.abi-project.eu/awstats/awstats.pl?config=abi-project.eu>.

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- Staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies
- . All partner members.

Result:

Product 'Official project website'

Area of application: Public

Homepage:

Product Languages: Hungarian
German
French
English
Slovenian

Product 'Questionnaire for identifying training needs'

Title: Questionnaire for identifying training needs

Product Type: procedure for the analysis and prognosis of the vocational training requirement

Marketing Text: In December 2009 a training needs analysis was conducted in 4 countries (Slovenia, France, Hungary and Austria) to formally confirm the need for training and to establish a specific training programme around ABI that service providers and practitioners within partner countries felt would be most beneficial. The main aims of the training needs survey were to identify possible issues and staff training needs in order to deliver care and support to persons with ABI and to ensure that the training content to be developed along the ABI project covers topics that best address staff' needs and gaps in knowledge and skills. The staff' training needs survey was conducted by using a common written questionnaire. In total 333 questionnaires were returned.

Description: The questionnaire was developed by the project coordinator. The questionnaire was common to all partner countries. The questions referred to the two main areas of individual training needs and self-assessment of own knowledge. The questionnaire was primarily developed in English and then translated to partner languages.
The questionnaires were e-mailed to a large number of organisations, institutions and individuals at local and national level.

Target group:

- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...

Result: Database of training and future competence needs.

Area of application: The collected and analysed needs were used to find practical strategies and ideas for developing a rough version of a common trans-national training programme for service providers/caregivers

Homepage:

Product Languages: French
German
Hungarian
Slovenian
English

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Questionnaire on training needs ENG version

Questionnaire on training needs ENG version.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/21/2/Questionnaire%20on%20training%20needs%20ENG%20version.pdf>

Product 'Criteria for description of good practices'

Title: Criteria for description of good practices

Product Type: procedure for the analysis and prognosis of the vocational training requirement

Marketing Text: The project work will also consist in his first phase of collecting data on existing relevant training programmes and guidelines in Europe and elsewhere in the world, on their review, analysis and on the identification of samples of good practices, based on prior set criteria by the Austrian partner.

Description: The Austrian partner who has expertise in vocational education and training will prepare a framework for the description of samples of good practices (objectives of training, relevance of the training content, strategy of training, appropriateness of the training methodology and the quality of teaching materials, impact evaluation) . The document will be published in paper version and on the website to be downloaded.

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result: Database of samples of good training strategies.

Area of application: The collected and analysed samples will be used to find practical strategies and ideas for developing a rough version of a common trans-national training programme for service providers/caregivers

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

Product 'Trans-national synthesis report'

Title: Trans-national synthesis report

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: The trans-national synthesis report is a consolidation and synthesis of national reports on training needs. Transnational synthesis report. It is an original document which reflects the needs and wants of staff working in ABI services in 4 EU countries, but also the needs of service-users in relation to the persons that support them.

Description:

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: The trans-national synthesis report will be used to develop the draft of the common training programme. IT will be placed on the official project website.

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

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Transnational Synthesis report on training needs

Trans-national Synthesis report on training needs.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/23/2/Trans-national%20Synthesis%20report%20on%20training%20needs.pdf>

Product 'National expert meeting'

Title: National expert meeting

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: Four national expert meetings were held in Slovenia, France, Hungary and Austria, in February 2010. Participants were national experts and professionals in the field of ABI rehabilitation, care and support. The aims of the meetings were to:

- introduce to the participants the project aims and anticipated results,
- present the results of the training needs analysis,
- analyse already existing ABI training programs in order to identify best practices(24 training programmes were analysed in total).

Description: The meetings were held in February 2010 and were attended by more than 80 experts and professionals in ABI.

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result: Joint recommendations for the development of the draft of the common training programme. Report on the meeting.

Area of application: Public.

Homepage:

Product Languages: Slovenian
French
Hungarian
German

Product 'National synthesis report'

Title: National synthesis report

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: Each national Synthesis report represents a synthesis of the training needs surveys and the findings of the focus groups with service-users that were conducted in December 2009 in Slovenia, France, Austria and Hungary.
The reports also include recommendations for the development of the common ABI training programme. Each report is available in English and in partner language on the ABI website.

Description: The synthesis report is a working paper consisted of an inventory of identified training needs and best practices in each partner country with recommendations for the development of the common European training programme.

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: Public.

Homepage:

Product Languages: Slovenian
Hungarian
German
French
English

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National Synthesis reports on training needs

Synthesis Report Austria- Eng version.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/25/2/Synthesis%20Report%20Austria-%20Eng%20version.pdf>

Synthesis report France- Eng version.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/25/2/Synthesis%20report%20France-%20Eng%20version.pdf>

Synthesis report France- French version.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/25/2/Synthesis%20report%20France-%20French%20version.pdf>

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Synthesis report_HUN_engl version.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/25/2/Synthesis%20report_HUN_engl%20%20version.pdf

Synthesis report_RSZFK_hun version.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/25/2/Synthesis%20report_RSZFK_hun%20%20version.pdf

SYNTHESIS REPORTSLOVENIA - ENG version.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/25/2/SYNTHESIS%20REPORTSLOVENIA%20-%20ENG%20version.pdf>

SYNTHESIS REPORT SLOVENIA-SLO version.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/25/2/SYNTHESIS%20REPORT%20SLOVENIA-SLO%20version.pdf>

Product 'Trans-national expert conference'

Title: Trans-national expert conference

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: The conference was restructured by the ABI Partnership to project ABI management meeting, restricted to project partners and invited guests. The main aims of the meeting were to outline the ABI Basic Learning Outcomes and to draft the ABI Training programme. Two speakers were invited to the meeting in order to share with the partners their expertise and knowledge.

Description: The 2- days expert conference took place in France in March 2010. The aim of the gathering was to review the trans-national report on needs, to exchange recommendations for the training programme and to jointly develop a rough version of a common training programme. Additional experts were invited. The project partners had their second management meeting.

Target group: Project ABI partners

Result: Report on the expert meeting.

Area of application: Confidential

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

Product 'Draft of the common training programme'

Title: Draft of the common training programme

Product Type: program or curricula

Marketing Text: With regards to the recommendations and suggestions set at the 2nd project meeting in France, the partners developed the Basic ABI Learning Outcomes. Based on the learning outcomes the content, sequence, structure and the delivery method were drafted.

Description: The Basic ABI Learning Outcomes outline the main areas of learning /basic knowledge future trainees will undertake and the learning outcomes they must achieve in order to be awarded a certificate. The Basic ABI Learning Outcomes have been developed in 5 partner languages and are the basis upon which the ABI training programme has been designed.

Target group: Staff currently working with persons with ABI in a variety of settings, in different roles at all levels, and community members who are involved, including attorneys, teachers, employers etc, ...

Result:

Area of application: Public.

Homepage:

Product Languages: Slovenian
Hungarian
German
French
English

Product 'Information leaflets'

Title: Information leaflets

Product Type: distribution methods

Marketing Text: Two sets of leaflets were produced in order to promote the dissemination of the ABI project among the target audiences and the general public. The first set was designed to present general information about the ABI project while the second one was produced at the end of the project to introduce the project main result, namely the ABI training programme. Both leaflets have been published in 6000 copies each, in English, Slovenian, French, German and Hungarian.

Description: The leaflets have been disseminated at various national and international events. The electronic version of both leaflets can be found online at: www.abi-project.eu.

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result: Bigger awareness and understanding of the project.

Area of application: Public

Homepage:

Product Languages: English
Hungarian
Slovenian
French
German

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Information leaflets

ENG-leaflet 1 (1).pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/28/2/ENG-leaflet%201%20%281%29.pdf>

ENG-leaflet- 2 (1).pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/28/2/ENG-leaflet-%202%20%281%29.pdf>

Final ABI leaflet AT_1.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/28/2/Final%20ABI%20leaflet%20AT_1.pdf

Final ABI leaflet AT_2.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/28/2/Final%20ABI%20leaflet%20AT_2.pdf

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Final ABI leaflet FR_1.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/28/2/Final%20ABI%20leaflet%20FR_1.pdf

Final ABI leaflet FR_2.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/28/2/Final%20ABI%20leaflet%20FR_2.pdf

Final ABI leaflet HU_1.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/28/2/Final%20ABI%20leaflet%20HU_1.pdf

Final ABI leaflet HU_2.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/28/2/Final%20ABI%20leaflet%20HU_2.pdf

Final ABI leaflet SI_1.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/28/2/Final%20ABI%20leaflet%20SI_1.pdf

Final ABI leaflet SI_2.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/28/2/Final%20ABI%20leaflet%20SI_2.pdf

Start-up ABI leaflet.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/28/2/Start-up%20ABI%20leaflet.pdf>

Product 'Criteria for trainers selection'

Title: Criteria for trainers selection

Product Type: procedure for the analysis and prognosis of the vocational training requirement

Marketing Text: Trainers play a critical role in any training program therefore selection of trainers is crucial in order to raise the quality of training. The partnership defined the specific criteria for the selection that reflect national circumstances and needs, but are at the same time congruent with the common ideas among the project partners. The main criteria for choosing trainers are: their professional background, specialist knowledge of particular areas within the field of brain injuries, range of experience in working daily with persons with ABI, and training experience and pedagogical knowledge.

Description: The criteria for the selection of trainers indicate explicitly to participants and others what they might reasonably expect from ABI trainers. The common criteria indicate to the profession, to authorities and policy decisionmakers and to the public that ABI training is of a proper and accepted standard in project member countries.

Target group: • Future ABI trainers

Result: Set criteria.

Area of application: The criteria will be used in the process of choosing future trainers.

Homepage:

Product Languages: German
Hungarian
English
French
Slovenian

product files

Criteria for trainer selection

Criteria for ABI trainers.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/29/2/Criteria%20for%20ABI%20trainers.pdf>

Product 'Assessment tool'

Title: Assessment tool

Product Type: evaluation methods

Marketing Text: The ABI partners wrote over 50 multiple-choice questions that were carefully organised into 10 modules. Most of the questions are common to all partner countries, some questions have been locally adapted. Partners also wrote 3 case studies per country (Slovenia 4. The case studies are designed to enable participants at training to show how they can apply their knowledge and understanding of ABI in a real life. The case studies have been appropriately locally and culturally adapted. The common exam question database and the case studies are included within the ABI Trainer Guidelines.

Description:

Target group: • Participants at training

Result: Assessment tool for participant examination.

Area of application: Confidential

Homepage:

Product Languages: French
Hungarian
German
English
Slovenian

Product 'International workshop'

Title: International workshop

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: The international workshop was restructured by the ABI Partnership to a project management meeting. The main objectives of the 3rd project ABI meeting were to introduce the partners' ideas and suggestions (according to national requirements) concerning:

- the criteria for the selection of trainers,
- the examination tool for the participants at training,
- the overall format of the training programme,
- the structure and content of the ABI training Manual.

Partner also briefly introduced the possibilities in each country for the implementation of the training programme and for the possible linkage of the training programme with the NQFs and EQF.

Description: 15 ABI project members from all the project partners participated at the 2-days meeting.

Target group: • Project ABI partners

Result:

Area of application: Confidential

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

Product 'European Manual on ABI Training'

Title: European Manual on ABI Training

Product Type: teaching material

Marketing Text: The Manual is an innovative and comprehensive manual is a high quality compilation of existing knowledge, expertise and best-practice, for those working in all the recovery aspects of ABI. The goal of this educational tool is to support learners at training, but also trainers to shape the training they will deliver.

Description: The manual provides a description of the symptoms of ABI, of the impact of ABI on the individual, the family and society and of the recovery and the rehabilitation process. It examines abilities and challenges, identifies key members of the rehabilitation team, including their roles and approaches to treatment and care, introduces different strategies and approaches and develops positive goals and support plans. The ABI Training Manual will serve as a resource to assist participants at training. After the first draft of the entire Manual was generated and edited, partners translated it to partner languages, reviewed it and adapted the content to their national context.

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: The Manual is foreseen to be used at each training "course" by the participants.

Homepage:

Product Languages: French
German
Slovenian
Hungarian
English

Product 'Evaluation instrument'

Title: Evaluation instrument

Product Type: evaluation methods

Marketing Text: Three sets of training evaluation forms were developed. Evaluation forms are aimed at trainees, trainers and observers, if they are present at training. The purpose of this evaluation is to solicit feedback at the end of training that will help the organiser of training and trainers better meet the needs of future groups. This includes feedback on the training environment, approaches to and methods of training, and the learning materials.

Description: The evaluation forms are included within the ABI Trainer Guidelines

Target group: - Participants at training
- Trainers
- Observers/evaluators

Result: Evaluation tool.

Area of application: Public

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

Product 'National inventory on trainers'

Title: National inventory on trainers

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: National inventories have been set per country containing trainers' professional position, qualifications, experience in ABI and pedagogical knowledge and experience. Trainers' qualifications have been documented in the 3 national pilot reports and the transnational report on the pilots.

Description:

Target group: • Trainers at training

Result:

Area of application: Confidential

Homepage:

Product Languages: German
Hungarian
Slovenian
French

Product 'Pilot delivery'

Title: Pilot delivery

Product Type: evaluation methods

Marketing Text: Pilots of the ABI training programme were run in 3 countries, Slovenia, France and Hungary from April to May 2011. The purposes of the pilot tests were to get input from people representing future users about specific issues related to the ABI training programme (its content and its delivery format) and the ABI Manual and to locate points where both should be revised.

Description:

Target group: Staff working with persons with ABI in a variety of settings, in different roles at all levels

Result: Pilot testing.

Area of application: Public.

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

Product 'National report on pilot evaluation'

Title: National report on pilot evaluation

Product Type: evaluation methods

Marketing Text: The process of developing and organizing the pilot tests, the pilot deliveries themselves and the feedback recommendations from the participants, the trainers and the observers, were detailed in 3 National ABI pilot reports.

Description: The report on pilot evaluation contain the gathered results on the pilot delivery evaluation and recommendations for possible adjustments and adaptations of the training programme. The reports were posted on the website of the project.

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: The report on the pilot evaluation was made available on the project website and was the basis for the final adjustments to the training programme and the Manual.

Homepage:

Product Languages: Slovenian
English
Hungarian
French

product files

National reports on pilot evaluation

ABI PILOT REPORT_France_FR.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/38/2/ABI%20PILOT%20REPORT_France_FR.pdf

ABI PILOT REPORT- France.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/38/2/ABI%20PILOT%20REPORT-%20France.pdf>

ABI PILOT REPORT_Hungary_HU.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/38/2/ABI%20PILOT%20REPORT_Hungary_HU.pdf

ABI PILOT REPORT Hungary.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/38/2/ABI%20PILOT%20REPORT%20Hungary.pdf>

product files

ABI PILOT REPORT- Slovenia.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/38/2/ABI%20PILOT%20REPORT-%20Slovenia.pdf>

ABI PILOT REPORT- Slovenia_SLO.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/38/2/ABI%20PILOT%20REPORT-%20Slovenia_SLO.pdf

Product 'Trans-national report on pilot evaluation'

Title: Trans-national report on pilot evaluation

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: The report summarizes the 3 national reports. It also contains a number of recommendations for changes and adaptations to the ABI Training programme that resulted from the pilots.

Description:

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: The report was the basis for further and final adjustments to the training programme and the Manual.

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

product files

Transnational report on pilot evaluation

Trans-national report on pilot evaluation.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/39/2/Trans-national%20report%20on%20pilot%20evaluation.pdf>

Product 'Information leaflets'

Title: Information leaflets

Product Type: distribution methods

Marketing Text: Information leaflets on project results will be published at the end of WP4. The leaflets will be distributed among professionals, institutions, organizations, they will be used for press informing, to address additional and relevant stakeholders..etc.

Description: The material for the leaflets will be translated in all partner languages. Slovenian partners will receive 1000 leaflets (250 each), the rest will receive 1000 leaflets each, in English 200.

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: The leaflets will be used to promote the project and its results beyond the time of the project.

Homepage:

Product Languages: German
Hungarian
French
English
Slovenian

Product 'Final interantional conference'

Title: Final interantional conference

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: The conference was organized by the coordinator in collaboration with Center Korak, in Ljubljana, Slovenia. It was attended by some 85 participants from across the country and abroad. The main aim of the conference was to present the ABI Training Programme, it also provided opportunities to discuss the challenges and issues that lie ahead for the recognition of the ABI training throughout the EU. The conference program included 8 foreign and local speakers. The conference held 5 plenary sessions and 2 workshops. By the conference's end, participants had agreed on several conclusions, which were forwarded to policy decision makers in Slovenia.

Description:

Target group: professionals with an interest in the field of brain injury, experts, specialists and policy managers in public bodies and educational and training services, as well as service-users and families.

Result:

Area of application: Public

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

Product 'Report on final international conference'

Title: Report on final international conference

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: The report includes the conclusions participants of the plenary sessions and both workshops agreed on and the conference evaluation results. The report in both English and Slovenia has been posted on the ABI website, the Slovenian version also on the website of Center Zarja. The report with the conclusions has been sent to the Ministry of labour, family and social affairs of Slovenia.

Description:

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: Public.

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

product files

Report on final project conference

CONFERENCE REPORT ABI.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/43/2/CONFERENCE%20REPORT%20ABI.pdf>

POROILO O KONFERENCI ABI.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/43/2/PORO%C4%8CILO%20O%20KONFERENCI%20ABI.pdf>

Product 'Guidelines for international strategy paper'

Title: Guidelines for international strategy paper

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: Guidelines on how to write the integration strategy paper for each country were drawn during the course of the project. The document aimed to supporting the project partners in compiling their Report on National Adaptations and to streamlining the processes of reporting according to a set routine to make the reporting more predictable, comparable and of higher quality.

Description:

Target group: • Project partners

Result:

Area of application: Confidential

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

Product 'Report on national adaptations'

Title: Report on national adaptations

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: In 2010 the partners conducted 4 extensive analysis relating specifically to Adult Learning, Education and Training in Slovenia, France, Austria and Hungary, to give a clear overview of the legislation and standards in these countries concerning the implementation and accreditation processes needed at national/regional level. More in detail, these analysis provided the partnership:

- General information on the implementation of the European Qualification framework (EQF)/ National Qualification Framework (NQF) in Slovenia, France, Austria and Hungary.
- A description of the education and training system in these countries.
- An overview of the bodies, responsible for accreditation of training and education programmes.
- An overview of the steps to be taken to implement the ABI training programme in these countries and the possible barriers and challenges to be faced.

All the major findings from the analysis were introduced in four reports on National adaptations.

Description:

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: Public.

Homepage:

Product Languages: Slovenian
English
German
Hungarian
French

product files

Reports on national adaptations

Report on National Adaptations_Austria.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/45/2/Report%20on%20National%20Adaptations_Austria.pdf

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Report on national adaptations France.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/45/2/Report%20on%20national%20adaptations%20France.pdf>

Report on National Adaptations_HUN_engl.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/45/2/Report%20on%20National%20Adaptations_HUN_engl.pdf

Report on National Adaptations Slovenia.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/45/2/Report%20on%20National%20Adaptations%20Slovenia.pdf>

Product 'Report on differences between countries'

Title: Report on differences between countries

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: The report is a summary of the implementation and certification processes in 4 partner countries and it highlights the differences between the countries. It also indicates possible linkage of the training programme with the NQFs and the EQF in each partner country. The report will be a valuable cross-country comparison of the current organisation of training systems in 4 EU countries. It is available to interested visitors on the ABI website.

Description:

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: Public.

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

product files

Transnational report on differences between countries

Transnational Report on Differences between the countries_EASPD.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/46/2/Transnational%20Report%20on%20Differences%20between%20the%20countries_EASPD.pdf

Product 'Integration strategy paper'

Title: Integration strategy paper

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: The 4 national reports are a compilation of several reports that were elaborated during the project lifetime per country:

- The national report on training needs, conducted in Wp2;
- The results of the pilots, conducted in Wp4;
- The report on the national adaptations, conducted at a previous stage of Wp5.

The reports contain an extensive integration and exploitation strategy, developed per country, containing a timeline and a number of detailed recommendations towards the implementation of the ABI training programme at national/regional level.

Description: Each report details the process of developing the training programme, the pilot, feedback and provides per country an extensive integration strategy on the steps to be taken in the final stage of the project and after the projects' lifetime. It contains a timeline and a number of detailed recommendations towards the implementation of the ABI training programme at national/regional and international level.

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: Public

Homepage:

Product Languages: French
German
Hungarian
Slovenian
English

product files

National integration strategy paper

National integration strategy paper - AT.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/47/2/National%20integration%20strategy%20paper%20-%20AT.pdf>

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National integration strategy paper - FR.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/47/2/National%20integration%20strategy%20paper%20-%20FR.pdf>

National integration strategy paper - HU.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/47/2/National%20integration%20strategy%20paper%20-%20HU.pdf>

National integration strategy paper - SLO.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/47/2/National%20integration%20strategy%20paper%20-%20SLO.pdf>

Product 'Trans-national report on integration'

Title: Trans-national report on integration

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: The report is a synthesis of all national integration strategy reports. These reports are based on a summary of all reports written during the projects' lifetime by each partner.
The purpose of the trans-national report is to provide a concrete strategy/action plan in order to implement the training programme in each partner country and to further increase the visibility of project exploitable results.

Description:

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: This report directly addresses the issue of further implementation and will provide an action plan for activities beyond the scope of the project.

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

product files

Transnational report on integration

Transnational integration strategy general report.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/48/2/Transnational%20integration%20strategy%20general%20report.pdf>

Product 'Dissemination strategy'

Title: Dissemination strategy

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: The first draft of ABI Dissemination strategy, introduced the activities that had been scheduled for the first part of the project. The first update presented the dissemination and exploitation activities that were taken from the beginning of the project as well those planned until the project ending. The final report summarises all dissemination and exploitation activities of ABI project since its beginning in 2009 and it also reports some afterward dissemination and exploitation actions. These activities aimed to publicize the project to the broadest possible audience, at all dissemination levels to set up the successful use of the results in particular after the project has concluded. Dissemination and exploitation activities were carried out in WP6 and WP7 by all partners under the leadership of the project coordinator.

Description:

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: The dissemination strategy was a reference report for the whole partnership in the project.

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

product files

Dissemination strategy and exploitation plan

1st Draft of Dissemination strategy.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/49/2/1st%20Draft%20of%20Dissemination%20strategy.pdf>

Dissemination strategy ABI- 1 update.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/49/2/Dissemination%20strategy%20ABI-%201%20update.pdf>

Final ABI Dissemination strategy.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/49/2/Final%20ABI%20Dissemination%20strategy.pdf>

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Dissemination strategy and exploitation plan

1st Draft of Dissemination strategy.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/49/2/1st%20Draft%20of%20Dissemination%20strategy.pdf>

Dissemination strategy ABI- 1 update.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/49/2/Dissemination%20strategy%20ABI-%201%20update.pdf>

Final ABI Dissemination strategy.pdf

<http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/49/2/Final%20ABI%20Dissemination%20strategy.pdf>

Product 'Exploitation plan'

Title: Exploitation plan

Product Type: others

Marketing Text: In order to clarify the best way to exploit the ABI training programme and to enable its future use, specific activities involving the target groups have been undertaken during the project lifetime . Based on this information, an extensive integration and exploitation strategy has been developed per country, containing a timeline and a number of detailed recommendations towards the implementation of the ABI training programme at national/regional/European level.
The rules for the dissemination and use of all the results arising from ABI project, as well as the allocation of rights and interests among the partners, have been established in ANNEX III of the Agreement between partners - the Intellectual Property Rights Conditions. The ANNEX also defines the ways exploitation achievements will be monitored to make adjustments as needed.

Description:

Target group:

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Result:

Area of application: Public

Homepage:

Product Languages: English

Product 'Interim progress report- Public part'

Title: Interim progress report- Public part

Product Type:

Marketing Text: The interim report covered the progress at the mid-term point of the project. It was elaborated by the project coordinator and checked and approved by all the project partners.

Description:

Target group:

- Result: Front line staff in the ABI sector,
- Professionals and expert with an interest in the field of brain injury,
 - Staff working in the social sector in general,
 - Academic professionals and researchers,
 - Service providers managers,
 - Local, regional and national authorities,,
 - Individuals with ABI and their families,
 - Professional and family associations,
 - Experts and specialists in educational and training services,
 - Potential service-providers,
 - The general public.

Area of application:

Homepage: www.abi-project.eu

Product Languages: English

product files

Interim progress report-public part

2009_2203_PR_ABI_pub.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/5422/prd/51/2/2009_2203_PR_ABI_pub.pdf

Product 'Final report- Public part'

Title: Final report- Public part

Product Type:

Marketing Text:

Description: Project ABI is a project that has been carried out from October 2009 to November 2011. The overall aim of project ABI has been to build better lives for people with ABI and those affected by it by improving the quality of care and support given to them. The project has been the joint contribution of large time and efforts, knowledge and expertise, of 8 project ABI partners and of additional experts from 5 European countries: Slovenia, France, Hungary, Austria and Belgium.

Acquired brain injury (traumatic brain injury, stroke, brain tumor, etc.) is a significant and growing health and social concern. Brain injuries are one of the leading causes of death and disability in the industrialized world. Currently about 12 million Europeans live with disabilities resulting from such injuries. Although ABI can cause chronic physical impairments, often the individual has more disability due to problems with cognition, emotional functioning, and

behaviour in connection with interpersonal relationships, social networks, recreational and vocational activities. The result is frequently a dramatic change in the individual's life-course, profound disruption of the family, and huge medical and related expenses over a lifetime.

Coping with the life-changing consequences of ABI presents great challenges for all personnel who provide care and assistance to people who have had an ABI, especially in settings with no special expertise in working with issues related to ABI. Every brain injury is different. The residual effects are largely "hidden", and thus less easy to observe. This is well recognised to result in misunderstandings and poorer quality of care and support, and thus increased risk for long-term psychosocial, emotional and behavioural problems, loss of employment, relationship breakdown, low self-esteem, and social isolation for the person, as well as their family.

During the project's two years duration the ABI Partnership has developed and tested a basic training programme, which will provide staff the specific skills, knowledge, attitudes and responsibilities necessary to offer the highest standard of care and support possible. The training programme is based on commonly defined ABI Basic Learning Outcomes, which are

the learning objectives expected of each participant by the end of the training. The ABI training programme differs from other brain injury staff training programs. Most training programs are problem-focused as they emphasise the deficits and difficulties. The ABI training programme is centred on the individual with ABI and emphasises the approach, the principles and values that guide practice. An important part of the ABI training programme is also understanding the complexity of ABI, developing appropriate intervention strategies to address the presenting challenges and highlighting available resources that may be of use to staff, persons with ABI and their family members. The ABI Training programme is supported by the ABI Training Manual which will serve as a resource to assist trainees and the ABI Guidelines which will serve as a resource for trainers to prepare and inform themselves so that they can run an effective training course.

In order to reach sustainability after the project ending the partners have established

Product 'Final report- Public part'

Description: a

follow-up project team to continue developing and promoting the ABI training programme. Partners will concentrate their efforts to implement the training programme into their Education and training systems and to achieve the promotion and support from appropriate stakeholders and decision-makers. Dissemination plans for the future are related to further increase the visibility of project results mainly by enforcing the dissemination channels already used during the project timeframe. The ABI website (www.abiproject.eu) still remains at the centre of the project future dissemination plans. It will be held online for at least future 5 years. Partners have planned to reuse the knowhow gained during the ABI project in new EU funded projects.

Target group: The ABI project was and is aimed at:

- staff working with persons with ABI in a variety of settings, in different roles at all levels, especially staff who are new to working with persons with ABI or those who have an interest and need in learning more about this area,
- community members who come into contact with persons with ABI (attorneys, teachers, employers, etc.),
- service-users and family members.

Result:

- a training needs analysis in partner countries among service providers, practitioners and service-users, to formally confirm the need for training.
- the definition of a set of common quality standards for ABI training (the ABI Basic Learning Outcomes) with a view to promote a shift from the medical approach to the biopsychosocial approach to care and support.
- the development and piloting of a common training programme for professional staff and other personnel.
- the creation of a Manual for participants at future trainings, and Trainer Guidelines to improve the effectiveness of training.
- the implementation of the training programme within national training systems.
- the attempt to align the training programme with the NQF and the EQF in order to get the ABI certificate recognized across Europe.
- the influence on health and social care policy at national, regional and local level.
- the promotion and dissemination of the project findings to a broad audience.
- awareness raising regarding the issues around ABI among the general public.
- the building of sustainable international European partnerships.

Area of application:

The ABI training programme is predicated on the value that individuals sustaining a brain injury shall receive superior care and support leading to outcomes that enhance their quality of life. The ABI training programme will help develop within staff working with persons with ABI a combination of core knowledge and understanding, skills and attitudes required to respond to the challenges of care in an effective and appropriate manner. The aim of the ABI training programme is to empower staff and to increase their comfort level when supporting and caring for persons with ABI, which will improve the appeal of working in ABI services. The ABI training programme emphasises a completely different approach than most of existing ABI staff training programs as it will help staff develop a positive approach and an accepting attitude towards persons with ABI.

Homepage: www.abi-project.eu

Product Languages:

Events

Project kick-off meeting

Date 15.10.2009

Description The 2-days kick-off start meeting of the project took place in Ljubljana On Thursday 15. and Friday 16. October 2009. All partner members got acquainted to each other, discussed and made further planning and decisions on the project activities, partner roles, tasks and adopted some dissemination strategies. A large number of non-partner participants were also attending the meeting both days with the aim to increase the awareness and the understanding of the project amongst relevant stakeholders and end-users.

Target audience

- Service users,
- Families, relatives,
- Survivors and parents organisations and associations,
- New employed, low experienced staff in organisations and institutions for long-term ABI care, support and rehabilitation,
- Staff in pre-existing community service models that are already working with ABI (ex: nursing homes, services for persons with developmental disabilities...),
- All professionals and paraprofessionals involved in providing some kind of care and support to persons with ABI: family doctors, social workers, future employers, teachers, community carers,...
- Professional associations, bodies,
- Policy decision-makers,
- Credentialing bodies

Public Event is open to the public

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Time and place Ljubljana, Slovenia
15., 16.10.2009

Events

FINAL PROJECT ABI CONFERENCE

Date 21.10.2011

Description As the ABI project will come to its end in October 2011, the Partnership is pleased to invite you for the ABI Final Conference on 21st October 2011 in Ljubljana, Slovenia. The Conference aims to present the ABI Training Programme. It will also provide an opportunity to discuss the challenges and issues that lie ahead for the recognition of the ABI training throughout the EU. The plenary sessions will focus on introducing the point of view of the service-user, we will also be pleased to welcome prof. Jean-Luc Truelle from France on the theme of Community reintegration and quality of life after TBI. The thematic workshops will provide the participants with a forum to discuss topics relevant to the quality of life of people after ABI. The Conference will provide opportunities to share good practice, discuss common issues, exchange experiences or identify partners for future cooperation.

Target audience The Conference is aimed at all those with a professional interest in the field of brain injury, at experts, specialists and policy managers in public bodies and educational and training services, as well as at service-users and families.

Public Event is open to the public

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