



# Slovenian Probation Administration

## Domestic violence

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# Figures



2 million



from 2004



21.000 EUR in 2017



65% of population of Slovenia



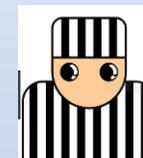
10% of population of Slovenia



360% growth of consumption  
from 2011 to 2015



6.252 in 2017



1.348 in 2017



7.4%



67 prison rate in 2017



the most common  
criminal acts

# Initial Activities

May 2017: The Probation Act

January 2018: Slovenian Probation Administration

April 2018: Start of Probation Service

Organisation: central office and 5 probation offices

Probation staff:  $19 + 5 + 7 = 31$

The number of cases in 2018: from 488 to 2126 (caseload 45-122)

# What we do



- **report** for the state prosecutor, report (pre-sentence) for the court



- the **duty of compensating** or settling the damage in suspended criminal prosecution



- **conditional sentence** with custodial supervision



- **conditional release** with custodial supervision



- **house arrest**



- **community service**



- **cooperation** with the prison in the process of planning a conditional release with custodial supervision

# Instructions

(only together with custodial supervision)



- to attend to a course of medical treatment at an appropriate institution, also treatment of alcohol or drug addiction with his consent;
- to attend sessions of vocational, psychological or other consultation;
- to qualify for a job or to take up employment suitable to his health, skills and inclinations;
- to spend income according to the duties relating to family support;
- prohibition of association with certain persons;
- prohibition of making any contacts with one or more persons;
- restraining order to keep the perpetrator away from the victim or some other person;
- ban on access to certain places.

# Domestic violence

## Legislation

- Domestic Violence Prevention Act (2008, 2016)
- Criminal Code
- Criminal Procedure Act
- Police Tasks And Powers Act
- others

## Main objectives

- to reduce society's tolerance of violence
- to help those who commit violence to change their behaviour
- to help those who experience violence

# Probation Service and Domestic Violence



- Working with perpetrators (not victims)
- Sanctions:
  - conditional sanction with custodial supervision and instructions
  - conditional release with custodial supervision and instructions
  - community work
  - house arrest
  - (additionaly) restraining order
- Questionnaire (not risk assessment)
- Sent to Association for Nonviolent Communication and others NGOs, healt care (psychiatric hospitals)
- Cooperation with SWC, police, prisons

# Domestic Violence and Figures

- 92% men
- 52% alcohol
- 48% victims are wives or female partners (48 % perpetrators are husbands or male partners)
- 19% victims are children (19% perpetrators are parents)

All convicted in 2017	Convicted of „domestic violence“ in 2017
<b>6.252 (100%)</b>	<b>352 (6%)*</b>
All offenders in probation in 2018	Offenders of „domestic violence“ in 2018
<b>2126 (100%)</b>	<b>146 (7%)**</b>

\*two articles of Criminal Code

\*\* 9 month period

# Association for nonviolent communication



- Three main principles
- In many regions around Slovenia
- Programs for people experiencing violence: counselling, support, accompaniment, safe house, assertiveness training, guided self-help group
- Programs for perpetrators of violence: individual counselling, social skills training for male perpetrators, guided help group for young male who behave violently, parenting skills training
- Preventive work/Education/Workshops/Publications

# Social skills training for male perpetrators



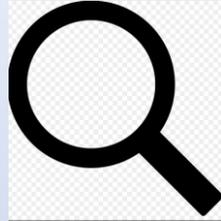
- Violence
- Violent behavior as abuse of power
- The dynamics of violent relationships
- Case analysis
- Partner Relationships
- The messages we received in our primary family and at the time of growing up
- Emotions
- Personal responsibility for dealing with emotions
- Understanding the feeling of anger
- Recognition of possessive behavior in connection with jealousy
- Techniques of redirecting attention and relaxation
- Take responsibility
- Time - out technique
- Gender differences and why they are often not true
- Equal / Equity Partnership
- Discontinuation of a partnership relationship
- Violence against children
- Relationship between child and parent
- Get to know your needs and needs of other people
- Addiction and violence
- No tolerance for violence
- Understanding conflicts
- The specifics of conflicts in intimate partnerships

# Refferals to Social Skills Training for male perpetrators at NGO (ANC)

2017: 672 all offenders (407 new)

organisation	number	%
<b>SOCIAL WORK CENTERS</b>	198	48.6
<b>PRISONS</b>	29	7.1
<b>PROSECUTORS</b>	81	19.9
<b>COURTS</b>	35	7.6
<b>SCHOOLS</b>	10	2.5
<b>NGOs</b>	7	1.8
<b>ON HIS OWN</b>	31	7.7
<b>PSYCHIATRIC CLINICS</b>	4	1
<b>PARENTS</b>	7	1.8
<b>OTHER</b>	5	1.2

# Our Challenges



Assesing tools



Education and Staff



Promotion and Cooperation



Data managing

# Short Overview



- ✓ DV in jurisdiction: Domestic Violence Prevention Act and 4 x Rules
- ✓ the number of DV offenders: ? 352 - 407 in 2017
- ✓ interventions in probation: individual treatment, refferal to NGO, supervision
- ✓ cooperation: with consent (social work centers, health centers, NGO)
- ✓ working with offenders (not victims)
- ✓ plans for the future: group program for DV and sex offenders

Thank you for the attention.

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