

THE SOCIAL PROTECTION OF THE FAMILY IN ROMANIA

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Abstract: *The spread of the violence inside the family constitutes one of the most serious social problems facing the contemporary society, including the Romanian one, too.*

Violence inside the family, by its seriousness and the serious forms of manifestation, put into danger even the existence of the family, as a social group. The violence inside the family represents any action physical or verbal one intentionally done by a member of the family, against another member of the same family, causing physical, psychic or sexual suffering or a material prejudice. It is also considered violence inside the family, preventing the woman to exercise the fundamental rights and liberties. The family which constitutes a ground for the manifestation of domestic violence becomes less transparent and open to the immediate social environment: the enlarged family, the neighbors, the friends, the colleagues. It is obvious the social isolation of such kind of families. They get a stigma in the eyes of the others and at the same time a stigma and guilty feeling which make them isolate themselves.

The violent husband does not want his wife to have social relationships within the framework of which she can confess her suffering and eventually receive a support. On the other hand, the violent men have as a characteristic of their personality the lack of the abilities and the joy of communicating. For the violent partners, communication in intimacy becomes an occasion to make a verbal attack towards the other person, while, at the working place remains a routine superficial relation with the others, a role played during the working hours.

Taking into consideration the serious results which the violence inside the family might have both upon the women but also upon children, I consider the present topic a very important one. In the theoretic approaches of this topic I have realized a rich documentation in order to identify the causes, the consequences, the types of domestic violence.

Thinking about the importance which is now given to this social problem in Romania, in its quality of European Union member state, the security of the citizen, under the perspective of the respect of the fundamental human rights, the preoccupation for the family protection becomes a national political matter. Within this context, the legislation, the strategies in the field and the intervention actions, but also those linked to the population awareness, are in a continuous evolution and concluding.

The history of the legal documents in the field, both at the national and international level, the dynamic during time of the institutional public system and of that initiated by the NGOs, constitute the basic arguments for the development of social services of a higher quality in favor for the victims of the violence inside the family.

The new supporting philosophy for the victims of the violence inside the family which is the base for the new social programs of family protection and assistance, is that of concentrating actively upon the family and community and it completely changed the approaching perspective in solving the problems confronting the victim. In time the communitarian network for supporting the victims will develop a proper model inside a civic culture of relating and collaborating among the community members, centered on social and moral values adequate for the real protection of the population and community stability.

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