

Romania's National Strategy for Supporting Parents 2024-2030 (Strategia Națională pentru Susținerea Părinților)

Aims

Romania's National Strategy for Supporting Parents (2024-2030) is the country's first national strategy in this field and provides a national framework for strengthening family support and parental education to improve child wellbeing and development.

The strategy aims to provide inclusive emotional, educational, social, and practical support for families and to build parenting skills through training programmes, educational resources, community engagement, and coordinated support services.

The strategy is guided by the vision of a support system in which every parent can develop the parenting competencies needed to guide their child's development. It prioritises equity, inclusion, lifelong learning, and cross-sectoral trust between education, health, social services and local communities.

The strategy acts as a roadmap to help Romanian policymakers and practitioners to safeguard children's rights, coordinate parenting support services, as well as to promote positive parenting approaches aligned with European quality protocols.



Responsible organization:

Ministry of Education, in partnership with the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Labour, Family, Youth and Social Solidarity.
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Country
Romania



Implementation Highlights

- Establishes a national framework for parental education and family support.
- Sets out a structured implementation approach involving cross-sectoral collaboration.
- Promotes coordinated working across education, health, social care, local authorities, and community organisations.
- Supports workforce development through integrated curricula and training for parental educators.
- Emphasises lifelong learning opportunities for parents and caregivers.
- Includes evaluation and monitoring processes to support continuous improvement.

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What makes this an innovative practice?

Impact: does it work?

Effectiveness and efficiency

National strategy supported by an action plan, workforce development initiatives, and evaluation mechanisms.

Evidence Base

Incorporates ongoing monitoring and lessons learned from initial evaluation, highlighting the importance of evidence-based delivery, adequate funding, and coordinated services .

Reach: who can benefit?

Equity and access

Focuses on improving access to family support services for all families, with particular attention to rural and vulnerable populations.

Transferability and scalability

National framework that can be implemented across regions through cross-sector collaboration and standardised approaches to parental education.

References and additional tools to favour translation

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