

The International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect

In order to protect and support children who have experienced abuse and neglect, we must empower, connect and inspire the global community of professionals that support and care for them



ISPCAN stands alone as the only international, multidisciplinary, professional organization working in the field of child abuse and neglect



We partner with over 1200 professionals, 50 country partners, NGOs and government and international agencies across the globe



We work with practitioners in over 90 countries

We have built a global community of practice

We equip professionals with the latest evidence in effective practice & data

We build communities of learning & support for multidisciplinary practitioners

**CHILDREN ARE OUR MOST PRECIOUS RESOURCE.
HOW DO WE STOP THE VIOLENCE WITHOUT JOINING HANDS?**

Framing the Challenge

300 million children, aged 2–4 years, regularly suffer physical punishment and/or psychological violence at the hands of parents and caregivers

One in 5 women and one in 13 men report having been sexually abused as a child aged 0–17 years

120 million girls and young women, under 20 years of age, have suffered some form of forced sexual contact

Consequences include lifelong physical and mental health harm, and the social and occupational outcomes can ultimately slow a country's economic and social development

An abused child is more likely to abuse children as an adult, so violence is passed down from one generation to the next

Ongoing care of children and families can reduce the risk of maltreatment reoccurring and can minimize its consequences



Health, care and social protection systems do not have the capacity they need to support victims of abuse and neglect

Call-to-Action
We need better national systems for preventing & responding to child abuse and neglect

Intolerable pressure of limited supply and increasing demand for public services

Twofold failure for global society – cannot protect children from abuse and neglect or ensure victims have adequate care

Another generation of children will suffer the consequences of adverse childhood experiences across their whole lives

The lifetime impacts of violence against children can be prevented with the right care at the right time and..... It will take all of us

Psychiatrists, paediatricians, nurses

Social workers, mental health professionals,

Teachers, public health professionals,

Law enforcement, lawyers, judges, policymakers,

Sports & religious organizations

Front line professionals operating in systems which cannot cope with the escalating crisis

This is leaving professionals overworked, under pressure, isolated and often suffering secondary trauma

Practitioners need access to the latest evidence of what works and to consult with fellow practitioners engaged in the same difficult and demanding work

How do we do this?

Four key workstreams

1. Convert Data and Evidence into Action
2. Professional Development & Reduction of Secondary Trauma
3. Cutting Edge Continuing Education
4. Build Global Networks for Learning & Collaboration





Converting Data and Evidence into Action

- Ensure that all impact on child
- Review
- perform public
- Verify whether laws;
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- Help

Our flagship program brings together over 1000 multidisciplinary professionals from 50-80 countries to learn and recharge

ISPCAN International congresses are the largest of their kind in the world sharing data, best practice, and policy

Professional Development & Reduction of Secondary Trauma

We foster members' careers by publishing and disseminating their research and offering collaborative opportunities to develop solutions to relevant problems

By connecting them with a continuous learning environments, members share data, promising practices, prevention strategies and new policies.

They discuss challenges from outside their regions, and develop innovative new ways to tackle challenging situations in their own communities





Cutting Edge Continuing Education

We make professional education affordable and accessible, offering extensive masterclasses, cutting edge topics and curricula and opportunities to receive advanced training

Each year more than 14,000 professional participate in our activities



Building Global Networks for Learning & Collaboration

We facilitate joint work in the field, support pioneering new efforts and mobilizing significant resources through partnerships with major NGOs.

Members connect across disciplines making systems more child centered

UN SDGs are our collective responsibility





UN Sustainable Development Goal 16.2:

End abuse, exploitation,
trafficking and all forms
of violence against and
torture of children

INDICATORS

16.2.1

- Proportion of children aged 1–17 years who experienced any physical punishment and/or psychological aggression by caregivers in the past month

16.2.2

- Number of victims of human trafficking per 100,000 population, by sex, age and form of exploitation

16.2.3

- Proportion of young women and men aged 18–29 years who experienced sexual violence by age 18

Estimated prevalence and cost of child sexual abuse

More than **1 in 3**
women experienced
sexual violence involving
physical contact during
her lifetime.



Nearly **1 in 4**
men experienced sexual
violence involving
physical contact during
his lifetime.

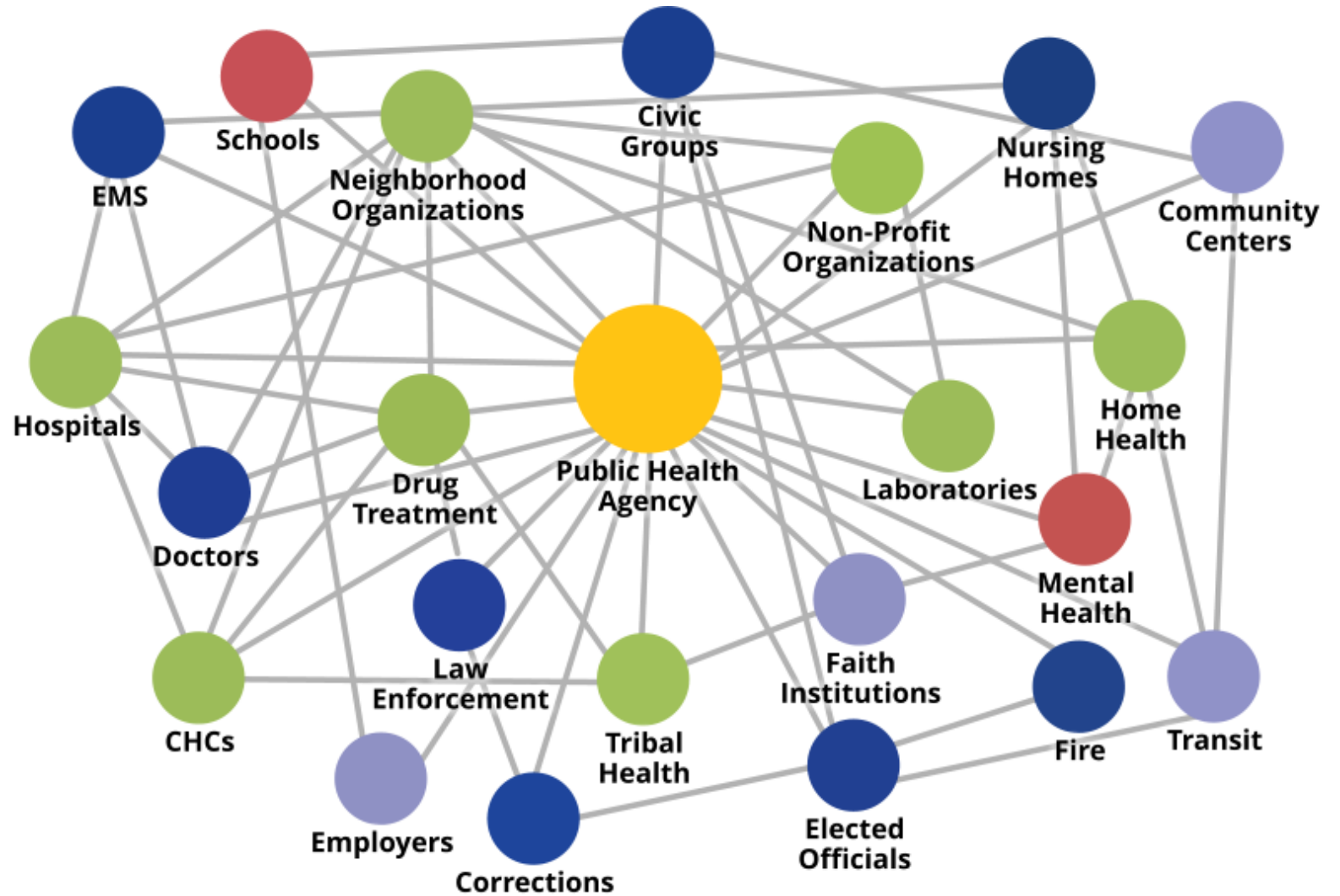


**Estimated Lifetime
Cost of Rape**



Public health network:

It takes all of us to make an effective child protection safety net



Children become most vulnerable as
circumstances change

Social Determinants of Health

Economic Stability	Neighborhood and Physical Environment	Education	Food	Community and Social Context	Health Care System
Employment	Housing	Literacy	Hunger	Social integration	Health coverage
Income	Transportation	Language	Access to healthy options	Support systems	Provider availability
Expenses	Safety	Early childhood education		Community engagement	Provider linguistic and cultural competency
Debt	Parks	Vocational training		Discrimination	Quality of care
Medical bills	Playgrounds	Higher education		Stress	
Support	Walkability				
	Zip code / geography				

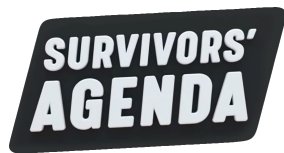
Health Outcomes

Mortality, Morbidity, Life Expectancy, Health Care Expenditures, Health Status, Functional Limitations

The global conversation is changing

June 2022: G7 Leaders collectively commit to action to end the global scourge of childhood sexual violence for the first time ever

A growing number of survivor-centered movements are changing the emotional narrative by giving a voice to the victims of child abuse and neglect



But words are not enough

It is time to break the cycle of child abuse and neglect

