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Training Session on reception and integration of migrants and refugees for local authority officials

Thursday, 8 February 2018

Developed and delivered by: Dinah Beckett and Bill Dennis, Migration Yorkshire

Location: Serafio - Sports, Culture and Innovation Center, Peiraios & Petrou Ralli, Athens

Time	Session title	Content
9.00	Introductory quiz	A light icebreaker using Greek/EU/global data on migration.
9.30	Refugees, asylum seekers and other migrants	International legal context for working with migrants (refugee convention, human rights convention etc). Legal status of different groups.
10.00	UK experiences of working with refugees	Context of UK's migration routes and support services. Activity to consider how UK learning on integration might be transferred to Greek context.
11.00	Break	
11.15	Refugee journeys and experiences	Reasons for leaving country of origin, journeys to Greece and Europe, difficult decisions made by refugees. Impact of living in exile.
12.15	European perspectives on migration	Data on migration across Europe. Different refugee flows and asylum outcomes in different countries. EU agreements on migration – consider implications for countries and migrants.
13.00	Break - lunch	
13.45	Particular needs of unaccompanied children, children in families and wider safeguarding issues	Specific safeguarding concerns - forced marriage, domestic violence, honour-based violence, FGM, and modern slavery. Needs – physical and mental health, education, care and support. Risks –impact of separation and loss, trafficking, sexual exploitation.
14.30	Table discussions of real-life scenarios	Small groups consider real life scenarios to discuss how they would respond to vulnerable clients.
14.45	Break	
15.00	Feedback to group on real-life scenarios	Compare approaches through group feedback. Reflect on current approach to situations and how practice could be improved.
16.00	Equality, discrimination, integration and community cohesion– barriers experienced by migrants	Concepts of integration and community cohesion, the needs of new migrants and the barriers they face in accessing public services, and the opportunities migration can bring.
16.45	Evaluation	
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