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Roadmap and Cost Structure Analysis for the Implementation of the Barnahus Model in Croatia

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Method

Documents and consultations

- Project materials
- National analyses (legal & training gap)
- National expert consultations (Appendix 1)

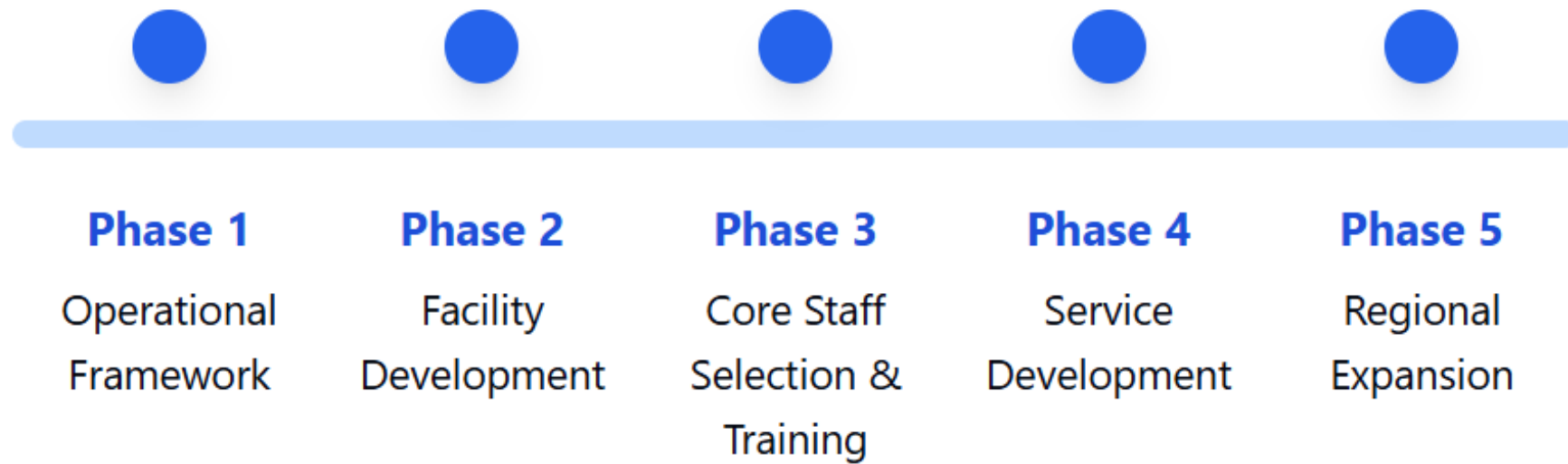
Core principles

- Child-friendly, trauma-informed, high-quality services
- International and national recommendations (BH-network; documents & consultations)
- Evidence-based practice (e.g., on interviewing, therapy, and training)
- Multi-disciplinary inter-agency cooperation
- Utilise national expertise and existing good practice

Structure

- Covers all four rooms of Barnahus (investigation, protection, physical- and mental health)
- Child participation
- Risk assessment with mitigation strategies
- Cost structure analysis

Barnahus Implementation Sequence



Core services

Barnahus is always part of a wider network

Investigative interviews (building on expert assistant and police expertise)

Mental health services (assessment and coordination with partners)

Medical services (partnership with hospitals)

Child protection (integration with social welfare)

Facility Development

Physical Infrastructure

- Purpose-designed spaces for all four Barnahus functions
 - Remote participation taken into consideration

Online platform

Staffing



Roles

Child interviewers
Family workers & network managers
Therapists
Medical service providers (on-call)



Competencies

Psychology (forensic-, developmental-, neuro-)
Social work (and family work)
Therapeutic (children and their families)
Policing and law
Medical (paediatric, gynaecology, child psychiatry)

Training and supervision



Basic level: raising awareness



Specialised skills

Forensic investigative interviewing with children
Trauma therapy approaches
Medical Examinations
Decision making



Continued training and skill upkeep



Continuous supervision

Development of skill and expertise
•Forensic investigative interviewing with children
•Trauma therapy
Occupational wellbeing



Coordination of training and supervision at the Barnahus hub in Zagreb

Expansion



Regional



Clientele and services



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