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A quality assurance protocol for family support services in Europe. An evidence-based and culturally informed model for professional practice.

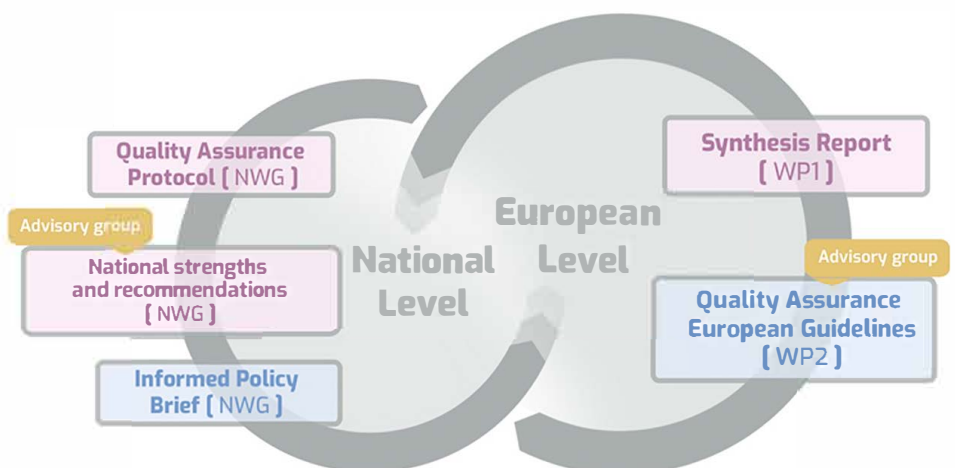
QA[4]EuroFam is a one-year project funded under a COST Innovators Grants that aims to help **19 participating countries** to implement the quality standards identified by EurofamNet in terms of family support and, thereby, improve the well-being of children and families.



Goals

- 1 To **guarantee quality in family support services** by implementing a quality assurance system addressing inequalities in access, experience, and outcomes at country level and across Europe.
- 2 To **apply agreed principles, quality standards and measurable indicators** aimed at improving outcomes in wellbeing and quality of life in children, youth, and families across Europe.
- 3 To **create a national and local led collaborative scenario** to identify challenges, strengths, and need for improvements in the family support services at the country level.
- 4 To **develop recommendations** at the European policy level to ensure high quality, evidence-based, and culturally sensitive family support provision.

The new project will firstly design the **quality assurance protocol** that will be implemented by the participating countries by means of self-assessment through national working groups. The data obtained in each country will feed a document presenting strengths and recommendations for improvement in family support at the national level. These strengths and recommendations will be translated into policy briefs to reach the political sphere and, finally, a series of European guidelines will be distilled from the lessons learned in all countries.



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