

# Court-Ordered Counselling Delegation for Domestic Violence Offenders — South Korea's Article 40 Protective Disposition

Gender Equality · Good practice · South Korea

Quality score: 52/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

## Summary

South Korean family courts can order domestic-violence offenders into counselling delegation, the country's most-used protective disposition under Article 40. A 2008 study of 65 agencies found a 43% dropout rate before completion.

## Key dimensions

| Dimension                       | Score |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Transferability / replicability | 2/3   |
| Impact on gender equality       | 0/1   |
| Effectiveness                   | 0/1   |
| Efficiency                      | 0/1   |
| Evaluated outcomes              | 1/1   |
| Sustainability                  | 1/1   |
| Achievement / evidence          | 1/1   |
| Gender-mainstreaming embedding  | 1/1   |
| Curator validation              | 0/1   |

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## Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-02

[Ministry of Gender Equality and Family \(renamed Ministry of Gender Equality, Oct 2025\)](#) — accessed 2026-09-02

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