Mandatory Psychosocial Treatment of Domestic-Violence Perpetrators in Montenegro — 48 Court Orders in Eleven Years, Delivered by Unfunded Mental-Health Centres (Cautionary Case)

Gender Equality · Good practice · Montenegro

Quality score: 15/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Montenegro's 2010 Law on Domestic Violence Protection lets courts order perpetrators into psychosocial therapy, delivered by mental health centres. From 2010 to 2021 courts imposed only 48 such measures nationwide; programmes are clinical, unfunded and unevaluated.

Key dimensions

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

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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