“Accommodation options for adults with PWS”

- What is important?
- How to start?
In this days we have very different starting points in the world when we think about accommodation for people with PWS

Some countries (13 in the world) have **group homes** and/or **supported living** offers and/or **day care centres** and/or **recreation centres** **special for PWS**

Many countries have **group homes** and/or supported living offers and/or **day care centres** and/or recreation centres for people with handicaps but **not special for PWS**.

And many other countries have „**only“ the family.“
Philosophy / fundamental attitudes

or the basic on which we support people with PWS in our group homes or supported living offers

- We have to reach for the highest knowledge about PWS as possible

- We have to accept the individuality of each one with PWS

- We have to support the development from „dependent from others (external control)“ to „self-determination“ (self-control)
Intensity of the need of external control vs Development of self-control

- Birth: 100%
- Adolescence: 0%
- Adulthood: 100%
Examples of buildings we use in our company for the group homes or for the supported living offers (Diakonische Stiftung Wittekindshof, Germany)
PWS Wohnangebote der Diakonischen Stiftung Wittekindshof

12/2000  6 + 2 places

07/2009  6 + 4 + 2 in the first floor

03/2018  2 + 2 in the first floors

05/2009  6 + 4 + 2 in the first floor

10/2013  one appartement

07/2015  4 + 2 + 2 + 2 in the ground and first floor

07/2016  2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 1

08/2010  8 (children and youth)

10/2014  7 (children and youth)
Example of a groundplan/ floorplan we favor for the new buildings
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Appartement 1 with small kitchen

Appartement 2 with small kitchen

Living room with kitchen

Rooms for day care program

Appartement 3 with a kitchen room

Appartement 4 with a kitchen room

Appartement for crisis intervention

Group 1.
Options of accommodation with the goal of an individualized and flexible offer, near to the needs and competences of the people with PWS in an area

- 6 places in a grouphome in a separate house or in a house with other people with handicaps (PWS or others)
- 4 places in a grouphome in a separate house or in a house with other people with Handicaps (PWS or others)

- Appartment in a house with other appartments with people with PWS
- Appartment in a house with other appartments with other handicaps
- Appartment in a house with other appartments with people without handicaps

- In the centre of the city or in a calm area, but always connected to social environment (cinema, shops, gym, restaurants, ...)
„How to take care?“
The **Concept/Conception** – the basic for the all day work

Description of the:
- Target group of people with PWS (exclusion criteria)
- Location of the building
- Rooms in the house
- Staff qualification
- Staff training
- Nutrition management
- Physical excercise
- Dayly and weekly programm
- Work/ School
- Therapeutical treatment
- ...
Staff

Relation from People with PWS to Staff
1 : 0,75 (to 1,0) (by 40 hours peer week) 4 : 3 (4 : 4)

Focus of the care is: handling challenging behavior

Qualification/profession in the team:
- Most of the staff must be educator, three years of learning in a pedagogical field
- + a nurse
- + a physical trainer/physical excercise
- + an expert in nutrition
- + ...

Add on: PWS specific qualification
14 modules (each one or more days)

- Introduction in PWS
- Behavioranalysis
- Behaviormodification
- Kommunication
- Verbal deescalation
- Nutrition management
- Physical excercise
- Sensory integration and kinaesthetics
- Case-study supervision
- Neuropsychology by PWS
- group supervision
- hospitation / two days in school or at the working place of the one with PWS
- participation at the „PWS day“, every year
- Final Colloquium

150 hours to do in one year
Financing

Very very different situation in the world

In Germany places for living, for working or in a day care centre are nearly 100% financed by government

Sources / partners in a country can be:

- Ministery of social affaires
- Ministery of health
- Ministery of construction
- Ministery of infrastructure
- ...

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“Let’s use the chance and learn from each other“

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