Evaluation of experimental female-oriented addiction care services

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Initial identified needs:
Protecting the health of the unborn children and the mothers who present drug addiction problems belongs to the governmental objectives established by the plan to fight against drugs and the drug addiction for the period 2008-2011. Integrating the specificities and needs of females misusing alcohol and/or drugs is at stake. In 2009 and 2010, the French National Health Directorate (DGS) and the French Interministerial Mission for the fight against drugs and drug addiction (MILDT) finance about forty experimental projects of care, social integration and/or risk reduction directed to drug-addicted women, in particular mothers or pregnant women. These projects are distributed in four categories: - advanced consultation performed by specialized treatment centres in social housing centres (CHRS) receiving women with children - Specific counseling for the women with children in inpatient drug treatment centres providing collective housing - Specific counseling for the women in out-patient drug treatment and low threshold centres (CSAPA and CAARUD) - Mobile team for mother-child care attached to drug treatment centres CSAPA. In 2012, the DGS and the MILDT jointly commissioned the French Monitoring Centre on Drugs and Drug Addictions (OFDT) to assess the implementation of these experimental services.

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