



## T06.27 Psychosocial Support

### Capacity Building for Psychosocial Support - Strengthening Colombian professionals to provide psychosocial services

*Making the quality of psychosocial assistance more accessible and acceptable for the population affected by the conflict.*

#### Implementation period

From 01/Aug/2018 To 31/Jul/2020

#### General Description

The project is focused on strengthening psychosocial assistance for communities in need, making this form of care more accessible and acceptable. The project provides psychosocial services to victims of the conflict, which help to alleviate psychological suffering, facilitate the community's active participation in social reconstruction, strengthen capacities, abilities and tools that improve the participants' lives, and instructs in actions to cope with difficulties.

The project uses the Training of Trainers Program (ToT), which includes five modules in which the trainers respond to the participants' emerging needs and so they can practice the new skills learned in the training. ToT is designed based on particular characteristics of the population such as disability, mental health, psychosocial support, and considering the health system situation in rural areas.

The project is led by the Society for Psychological Assistance (SPA) and will have the support of the National Training Service (SENA).

#### Contribution to the Peace Accords

The project contributes to point 1 of the Peace Agreement through the implementation of ToT, which creates psychosocial conditions of well-being and dignified living for the rural population affected by the conflict. The project promotes equality and contributes to ensuring the full enjoyment of citizens' rights.

The project contributes to point 3.2 of the Peace Agreement, providing psychosocial services that alleviate the victims' psychological suffering, facilitating their reincorporation process and empowering them to be active community subjects in social reconstruction. In addition, the project provides institutional strengthening since the project's special psychosocial focus represents an important technical contribution to the interventions implemented by the Government of Colombia and the Ministry of Health.

# Objectives and Results

The project has three specific results:

- The first result is the design, preparation, and development of ToT. ToT is intended as a tool for trainers to receive knowledge, skills, and tools that allow them to become new trainers under a “cascade training” model.
- The second result is the implementation of ToT in which the five training modules are implemented in four different regions, integrating approximately 160 participants.
- The third result is that the ToT implementation results are analyzed and the replicability strategy is presented.

With these results, the project fulfills its objective of increasing the number of trainers instructing others to provide psychosocial support, strengthens the professionals competencies, strengthens SENAs institutional capacity, and achieves knowledge exchange.

Investment Amounts		
€ 632.659	€ 158.165	€ 790.824
UE Support	Counterpart	Total

## Featured Indicators

Indicator	Goal	Last Update	Advance	Current Value	Status
01.Training of Trainers Program (ToT) designed, developed, and prepared for its implementation	17	December 2019	100 %	17	In execution
02.Number of psychosocial service providers who complete the program and have support to support victims of the conflict and their families, as well as to train other professionals and instructors	160	December 2019	87 %	140	In execution

## Advocate



Croacia

## Partner

Sociedad para la  
Asistencia Psicológica -  
SPA

## Local Partners and Co-Applicants

1. Arq Psychotrauma Expert Group
2. Servicio Nacional de Capacitación - Servicio Nacional de Aprendizaje (SENA).

## Geographic Coverage

Proyecto: Desarrollo de Capacidades para Apoyo Psicosocial

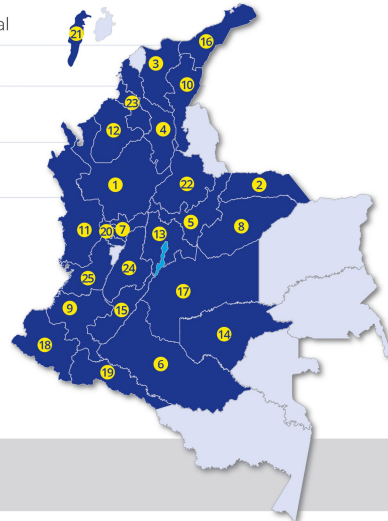
Socio: Society for Psychological Assistance, **SPA**

Aporte total  
Unión Europea: 632.659 €

Aportes  
contrapartida: 158.165 €

Cobertura:

1. Antioquia: Medellín	14. Guaviare: San José del Guaviare
2. Arauca: Arauca	15. Huila: Neiva
3. Atlántico: Barranquilla	16. La Guajira: Riohacha
4. Bolívar: Cartagena	17. Meta: Villavicencio
5. Boyacá: Tunja	18. Nariño: Pasto
6. Caquetá: Florencia	19. Putumayo: Mocoa
7. Caldas: Manizales	20. Risaralda: Pereira
8. Casanare: Yopal	21. San Andrés y Providencia
9. Cauca: Popayán	22. Santander: Bucaramanga
10. Cesar: Valledupar	23. Sucre: Sincelejo
11. Chocó: Quibdó	24. Tolima: Ibagué
12. Córdoba: Montería	25. Valle del Cauca: Cali
13. Cundinamarca: Bogotá	



## Project Resources

[Download project information in PDF](#)

[Documents of interest](#)