COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY EDUCATION

CONTRIBUTES TO FIGHT AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

STATISTICS

30%

1 in 4

30% of women in Romania have experienced physical and/or sexual violence. 1 in 4 women in Romania has been physically or sexually abused at least once by her partner.

EXISTING POLICY

The Istanbul Convention has become active in Romania in September 2016. 9 National programs addressing domestic violence have been developed for the period 2017-2019.

LIMITED ACCESS TO SEXUALITY EDUCATION IS LISTED AS AN ENABLING FACTOR OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN.

Only 6% of students participated in the “Health Education” optional school subject during the year 2014-2015.

POLICY RECOMMENDATION

1. WE CALL FOR AN INTEGRATED APPROACH TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE that includes age-appropriate sexuality education, adapted to the development level of every child.

2. WE CALL FOR ACTION TOWARDS ENSURING INCREASED ACCESS TO SEXUALITY EDUCATION and adequate services for all young people.

SOURCES:
European Institute for Gender Equality, 2015 / European Union Agency For Fundamental Rights, 2014
Eurobarometer 2016 / National Center for Health Evaluation and Promotion, 2015
Presidential Administration, Departments of Health and Research and Public Health, 2015

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