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SAMARBEIDET

Better coordination for vulnerable children and young people

0–24 is a cross-sectoral collaborative project.
We work to achieve better coordinated, more streamlined
services for vulnerable children and young people.



Challenge

Children and young people who need help must receive it as early as possible. Otherwise, there is a high risk of their challenges evolving and becoming greater and more complex. We often know at quite an early stage which children need extra attention, and their challenges can be both complex and complicated. We must therefore implement an early, coordinated effort from various sectors, levels of administration, services and professions.

There are many specialised provisions and services for children, young people and families. Nevertheless, too many people do not get the help they need. A major reason for this is inadequate coordination and collaboration between the various services, and the fact that help comes too late¹⁾.



1) Office of the Auditor General of Norway 2007, the Norwegian Board of Health Supervision 2009, Official Norwegian Report (NOU) 2009:1, Official Norwegian Report (NOU) 2009:18, Official Norwegian Report (NOU) 2009:22, Official Norwegian Report (NOU) 2010:7, Official Norwegian Report (NOU) 2011:14, Norwegian Association of Local and Regional Authorities (KS) 2011, Thorshaug and Svendsen 2014, Office of the Auditor General of Norway 2015–2016, Official Norwegian Report (NOU) 2017:12, Office of the Auditor General of Norway 2018

Causes

There are several reasons why it is difficult to achieve good collaboration between the various services. Because the public administration is organized into sectors, the employees in the various services in the municipalities end up working towards different social missions and based on different priorities. The different sectors and services have different histories, expertise and cultures. They are organized differently, with different funding systems and legal frameworks. The division of responsibilities may seem unclear and tasks may seem to overlap. Because there is little contact between the services, they are unfamiliar with each other's work and methods.

Ministry of Health and Care Services	Ministry of Education and Research	Ministry of Children and Families	Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs
Hdir and the regional health authorities	Udir /IMdi	Buudir	AVdir
Region	Region	Region	Region
County	County	County	County
Municipality	Municipality	Municipality	Municipality

Coordination

If the municipalities are to succeed in providing early, holistic, coherent services to vulnerable children and young people and their families, central government bodies must ensure greater coordination of their various instruments and efforts. Government efforts must support and stimulate coordination and development at the local level. This is the aim of all 0–24 collaboration projects.

Examples of 0–24 collaboration projects

- Joint cross-sectoral knowledge base (joint assessments and research)
- A Nordic 0–24 project focusing on the same topics
- Coordination of funds from various sector authorities
- Coordination of regulations across the sectoral areas of responsibility



"Children and young people should not have to negotiate a jungle of different offerings to get the help they need. This means that we, the central government, must coordinate our services and provide the best possible help and support for the agencies that are in direct contact with children and young people."

Bjørn Guldvog

Director of the Norwegian Directorate of Health

"The agencies that work with children and young people must have more autonomy. Collaborating across sectors is always challenging, but it is the only way to achieve outcomes that are essential for peoples' lives."

Hege Nilssen

Director of the Norwegian Directorate for Education and Training



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- Information about the 0-24 collaboration subprojects
- Materials such as films, presentations, etc.
- How the work is organized
- Interviews with key actors
- Contact information

0-24 is a collaboration between the Norwegian Directorate of Health, the Norwegian Directorate for Children, Youth and Family Affairs, the Norwegian Labour and Welfare Administration, the Directorate of Integration and Diversity and the Norwegian Directorate for Education and Training,

