

Youth in transition



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I06 - Pathway (chain responsibility)

ICELAND

Level: local/municipal

Regular meetings

Rationale:

The NEET group in Iceland is a heterogeneous group that has not established themselves on the labor market for several reasons. The reasons can vary, they can be of personal, medical, and social circumstances.

Many different stakeholders are working with the group: Directorate of Labour, VET schools, adult education/ life-long learning, Virk Rehabilitation Center, Social Services at Municipal level, health services (psychologists, nutritionists), Bergið headspace, Fjölsmiðjan – Work Rehabilitation Center, and Pieta etc.

Since there are so many stakeholders that work with the group on different levels, information flow is often lacking, and stakeholders are not aware of the work of other stakeholders. They can learn from each other and they can network and therefore remove obstacles. The result should be to improve the services for the NEET group and to make sure that they get quality service.

Recommendation:

VMST recommends that stakeholders meet regularly to monitor the status of the group and to exchange information and best practices. The aim of the meetings is also to strengthen networking of the stakeholders. The outcome should be better service for the group, find work or education and/or keep them active and to meet their needs for personal assistance based on individual needs.

The meetings should be held every two months and the responsibility should be rotated between stakeholders.

It is also important that comparable meetings are held at policy level preferably 2 times a year.