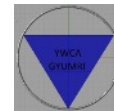




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“Flora” Young Women’s Christian Association Non-Governmental Organization of Gyumri in cooperation with its partner “Center of Community Initiatives and Advocacy” Non-Governmental Organization launched the “Monitoring of Medical/Sociological Expertise Committee’s (MSEC) Functions” project on 1 April, 2016.

In the framework of the project the partners conducted the monitoring the functions of the RA Medical/Sociological Expertise Committee’s (hereafter, MSEC) located in the northern regions of the RA.

The project aimed at revealing through monitoring the corruption risks in this area and reduction of complaints by the public about the quality of the provided services, as well as to increase the accountability, transparency and efficiency of services provided by the MSEC.

During the first cycle, which lasted from April 1 to 15, the selection of the working group was conducted, civil contracts were signed with individuals and legal entities, as well as with "Tsayg TV" and "Style Media" radio for publicizing the project. Further, questionnaires were developed and 6 researchers were selected, who carried out the research work. Three seminars aimed at strengthening their capacity were organized.

As already mentioned, necessary information on the project actions was provided to the public through the mass media, as a result people with disabilities applied to the program. They presented the problems and complaints about services provided by the MSEC. During their visits they were provided with legal consultation, they submitted the problems of concern through questionnaires and made suggestions. There were visitors who were directed to the social services to receive social assistance. The researchers held interviews with those who applied to MSEC. Forms were completed both in Gyumri and in nearby communities.

Each Saturday generalization, analysis of results and comparison of proposals of the completed questionnaires was made.

During each month (26.04.2016, 31.05.2016, 11.06.2016) round-table discussions with the participation of target groups, non-governmental organizations were organized.

The problems concerning individuals with disabilities difficulties encountered when getting the disability group of the form 88 were discussed, and the necessary suggestions were developed.

The issue of uselessness of the disability group 3 was discussed as well. It was mentioned that the 3rd group does not provide any privileges to the person with a disability; in addition the rate of disability pension is rather low. The poor quality of medicines was discussed as well.

Comparison of the results of the monitoring in MSEC was also carried out, based on which a report was published, which sums up the results of the monitoring, as well as the suggestions..

The report on the results of the monitoring of MSEC functions is presented as Appendix 1 to this report.

President of “Flora” Young Women’s Christian Association Non-Governmental Organization of Gyumri,

Project Manager

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