



Improving the health sector's response to cases of gender-based violence, including domestic violence, through the review of protocols for managing cases of gender-based violence, with a focus on domestic violence and/or other legal/regulatory/institutional improvements.



The Center for Legal and Civic Initiatives (CLCI)



Location

Tirana Municipality



Implementing Period

August 2025 - July 2026



Total Budget

11,500 EUR





THE CHALLENGE

Gender-based violence, including domestic violence, remains a significant public health and human rights concern. Despite the existence of a legal and institutional framework, challenges persist in the effective implementation of protocols, coordination among responsible institutions, and the capacity of health professionals to identify, manage, and refer cases appropriately. Strengthening the role of the health sector is essential to ensure timely, survivor-centered, and coordinated responses to victims of violence.



OUR RESPONSE

The project strengthened the capacity of health sector professionals to implement the legal framework and national protocols for the management of domestic and sexual violence cases. It also promoted a more coordinated institutional response within the National Referral Mechanism.



KEY ACHIEVEMENTS



Direct Reach



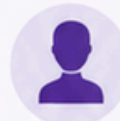
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health professionals reached



155

women and girls reached



5

men and boys reached



17

institutions involved
13 health centers+4 key institutions



Capacity Building



16 workshops conducted



160 participants trained



142 doctors and nurses



9 psychologists and social workers



4 institutions representatives (Local Health Care Unit and Health Care Services Operator)



Strengthened implementation of national protocols and referral mechanisms for domestic and sexual violence cases



IMPACT STORIES

“The collaboration and discussions held at our health center were highly positive and beneficial for the staff. The training strengthened our understanding of gender-based violence and reinforced the important role of the health sector in addressing these cases. Our health center remains fully committed to supporting similar initiatives and future collaboration.”

Dr. Enela Papa, Health Center of Student City, Tirana

Following the workshop, the health center committed to disseminating the training materials among its staff and expressed readiness to support future initiatives aimed at strengthening the response to gender-based violence.





RESULTS AT A GLANCE

INDICATOR	ACHIEVEMENT
 Beneficiaries reached	160
 Workshops conducted	16
 Workshops Institutions engaged	17



LESSONS LEARNED

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Lesson 1. Continuous capacity building is essential to ensure the effective implementation of domestic and sexual violence management protocols.
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Lesson 2. Strong coordination between the health sector and referral mechanisms is key to providing timely and comprehensive support to survivors of gender-based violence.



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