The Barnahus model refers to multi-disciplinary and interagency interventions for child victims and witnesses of violence.

One-stop, child-friendly setting which fulfills a number of criteria.

PROMISE 1 explored these criteria in depth and developed standard setting publications.

Select professionals from around Europe were invited.

From 0 to Barnahus is an open invitation to join the discussions within the European Barnahus Movement.

Key principles, standards, and challenges to consider when opening and operating a multi-disciplinary and interagency collaboration for child victims and witnesses of violence.

Read more about the principles, criteria, goals and challenges for the Barnahus in the PROMISE Vision: www.childrenatrisk.eu/promise/vision
PROMISED AND DELIVERED …

- PROMISE 2015-2017 invited pilot countries to receive support for the establishment of Barnahus
- Participated in exchanges and trainings, and gave important feedback to the PROMISE publications.
- Now in phase 2, they are facilitating their own exchanges and trainings, and supporting the European Barnahus Movement with their own learnings.

- In 2015 - only 6 or so countries with a Barnahus or similar setup.
- By the end of 2019 we anticipate more than 20 countries around Europe will be operational, with another 6 countries actively working towards launching services.

- Most have inspired, contributed to, and are now basing their work on the Barnahus Quality Standards and on other valuable learnings from PROMISE. www.childrenatrisk.eu/promise/standards (available in several languages)
Facility Dogs 101

PROMISE 2
European Union
October 11, 2018

Featuring: Ellen O’Neill-Stephens JD, Founder, Courthouse Dogs Foundation USA
Celeste Walsen DVM, Executive Director, Courthouse Dogs Foundation USA
Molly B, Facility dog
All children visible in this presentation are models and we have permission to publish their photos.
Dogs Reduce Stress in Humans
We feel safe when we are with a relaxed dog.
Petting a dog reduces our stress level.
Furnishing your interview room
Poll

What is your professional position?
Facility Dogs and the Barnahus Model
Establishing Rapport in the Lobby
Facility Dogs in Forensic Interviews
Jeeter knows what to do
Forensic interview video
Daze video
Daze

Thank You for being here and sleeping on my leg. You made it a lot easier to talk about what happened. You gave me comfort and made it more comfortable to talk. Thank You!
Dear Daze,

You are my Hero

I was very happy when I saw you, you are a very beautiful dog. I wish you were mine. I was very happy when I saw you. I am very glad I saw you. You are an amazing dog. You make me smile, make me laugh, and proud of myself. You are very smart. Hope you learn another trick, hope I'll see you again.
Therapy
Play Therapy
Poll

Do you have to be concerned about legal issues that could arise as a result of including a facility dog in forensic interviews and therapy sessions?
Fantasy
Emma always tells the truth.
Emma dreams of being a super hero for children.
What is a Facility Dog?
Courthouse Dog Program

• Dog is a graduate from an accredited assistance dog school.

• Handler is a professional in the legal system.

• Dog is utilized in a way that does not disrupt legal processes.
www.assistancedogsinternational.org
Genetics
Preparation Begins at Birth
Puppy Socialization and Training
Professional Training and Evaluation of Young Adult Dog
Handler Training and Certification
Concerns
FACILITY DOG
ON
PREMISES
Meet Pecos

He works with our staff and loves to have children pet him.

He is a graduate from Canine Companions for Independence, is very gentle, and has the same training as a service dog.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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Medical evaluation – a key criteria for the Barnahus and similar setups

- 18 Oct 2018 – Framework for medical standards
- 25 Oct 2018 – Physical abuse diagnostic workup and decision-making
- 19 Nov 2018 – Sexual abuse diagnostic workup and decision-making