GLOBAL PLATFORM FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION World Reconstruction Conference I G N I T E

CRISIS INTERVENTION FOR MENTAL HEALT IN DISASTERS

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CRISIS INTERVENTION?

Because

PREVENTION & EDUCATION

are the most effective approach, method and set of techniques

• WHY CRISIS INTERVENTION?

Method supporting Mental Health during the Time of Disaster and fit in the framework of the **Hyogo Frame Action** 3rd HFA priority: education, foreknowledge and general civic awareness

• CONTRIBUTION - FOCUS on:

Crisis intervention – the first stage:

method derived from psychology of health, with preventive approaches

provided immediately "in situ" for crises, emergencies, disasters, catastrophes. Ideally co-shared by everyone, in the form of FIRST AID HELP

 CRISIS INTERVENTION - the second stage: the professional approach

• WHAT NEED TO BE SOLVED:

professionally-led "education" for all citizens

- for professional rescuers
 - for volunteers
 - for state officials
 and
 - for all civil society

HOW:

through school curricula & general civic awareness

• PRINCIPLES:

THE CRISIS INTERVENTION METHODOLOGY
IN EDUCATION IS FULLY
RELATED TO & RESPECTFUL OF:

- the bio-social environment, and
- cultural-anthropological values

It is aimed at everyone, at all citizens in the global world.

BASIC ONGOING PRINCIPLE:

people, impacted by a disaster are to be treated as normal and healthy

and not as people overwhelmed by their situation and needing to be treated as 'helpless victims'

everybody is respected to react "normally" to abnormal conditions

Thank you for your time & attention

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