

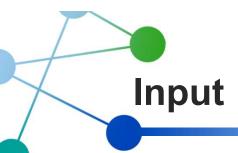
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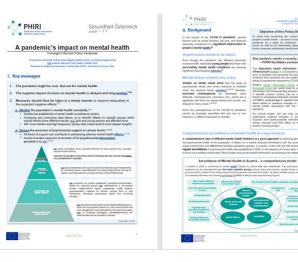


A pandemic's impact on Mental Health

(Foresight Informed Policy Factsheet)

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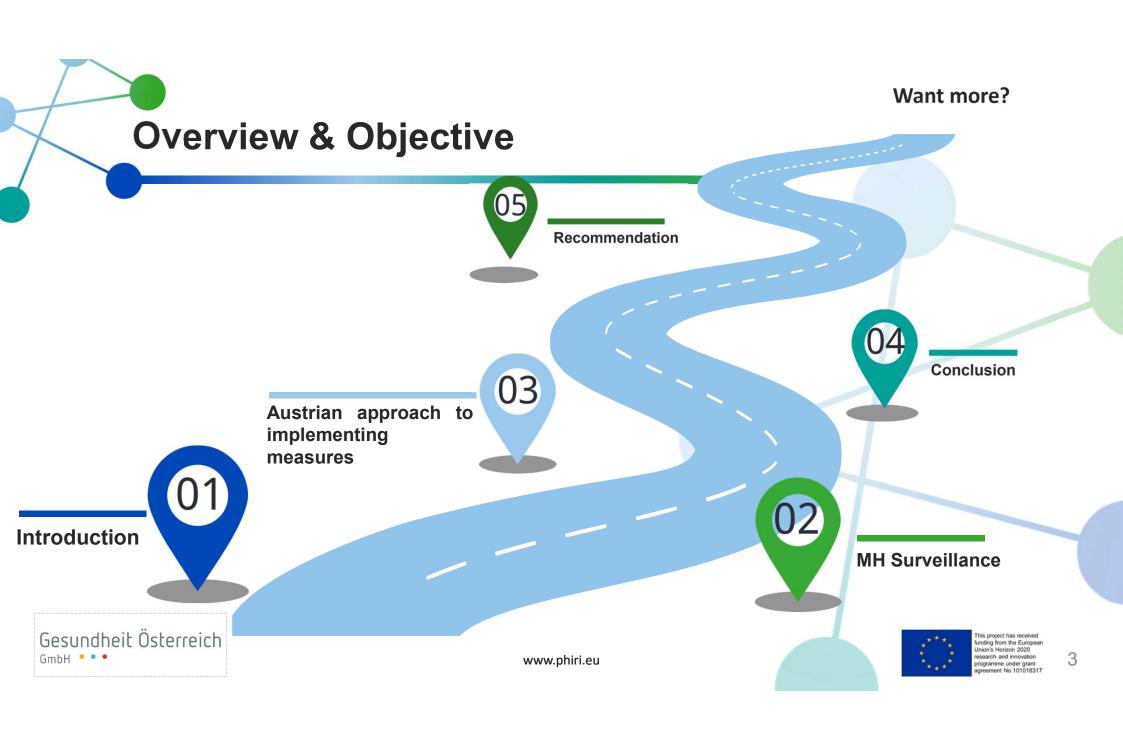












Introduction

The pandemic might be over. But not so for mental health.

The negative impact on mental health is delayed and long-lasting. (1-6)

What can contribute to the prediction of future trends and help to undertake MH-measures?

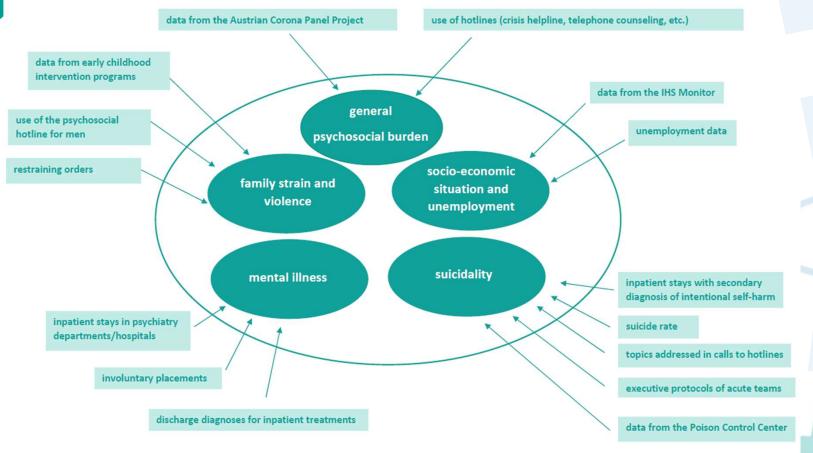






MH-surveillance: Data sources

Elements of foresighting!

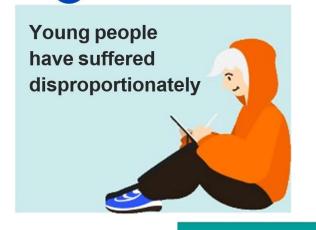


Current trends – future impact!

Deeper insight - discuss actions



MH-surveillance: Results









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MH-surveillance: Limitations

- Barriers & people who do not actively seek help.
- Better availability of data can lead to overweighting of individual problem areas.
- High-frequency survey data is missing.





Austrian approach to implementing measures

Specialized services

Focused, non-specialized services

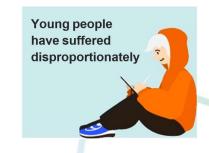
Community & family support

Basic services & social security

(11, 12)



Conclusion



Identifying most vulnerable groups



Analyzing/understanding country-specific context (PHIRI)





Recommendation – based on the Austrian approach

Monitor mental health constantly (11)

What can contribute to the prediction of future trends and help to undertake MH-measures?

- Derive measures in a timely manner
- Ensure psychosocial support at various levels (11,12)





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