

GOOD HABILITATION OF CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS

– PROJECT EVALUATION

OBJECTIVE

- The goal of the project is to find means to arrange habilitation in the way that interests of a child, parents, professionals and local support networks meet.
- The evaluation of the project has two dimensions:
- to support the process of local development and the education of key people.
- to tell us how the principles of good habilitation guide the local planning.

BACKGROUND

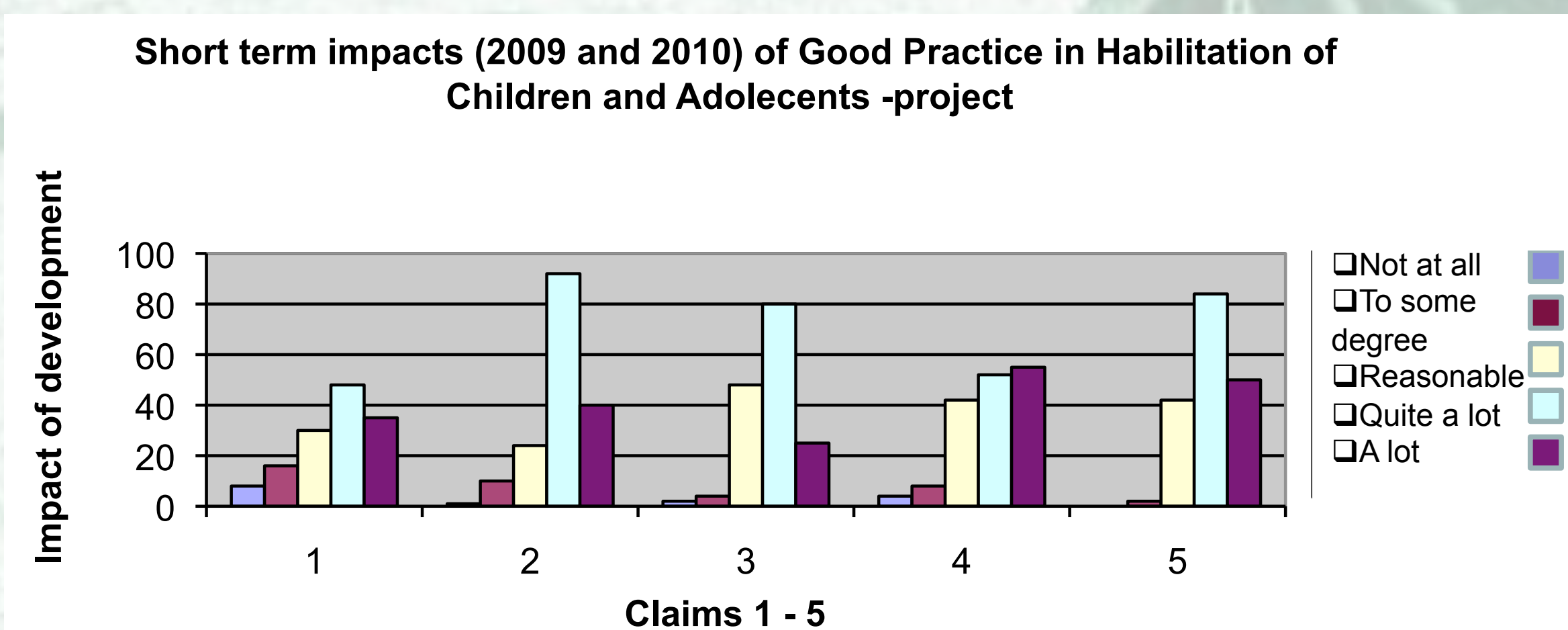
- The project (2007-2011) is based on the outcomes of the earlier Good Habilitation of Children and Adolescents -project of Vajaa-liikkeisten Kuntory (VLK ry).
- VLK ry's 10 local specialist groups have all created a local network of their own, and organized with a novel way the habilitation of children based on local needs and resources.

METHOD

- The evaluations of the process take place at onset, in between and at the end. The methods are: reflection, theme interview, content analysis, questionnaire and with results also valuation conversation.

THE LEVELS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT IMPACT EVALUATION

Level on evaluation	Objective of evaluation
1. Habilitation planning of child and family i.e support to child and family	Habilitation planning in everyday life - experience
2. Habilitation planning with local resources Collaborative networks	Forming of networks Habilitation planning and change in practice
3. Specific Professional know-how	Forming of networks Habilitation planning and change in practice
4. The guidance of public authorities	Regulation, direction and strategies

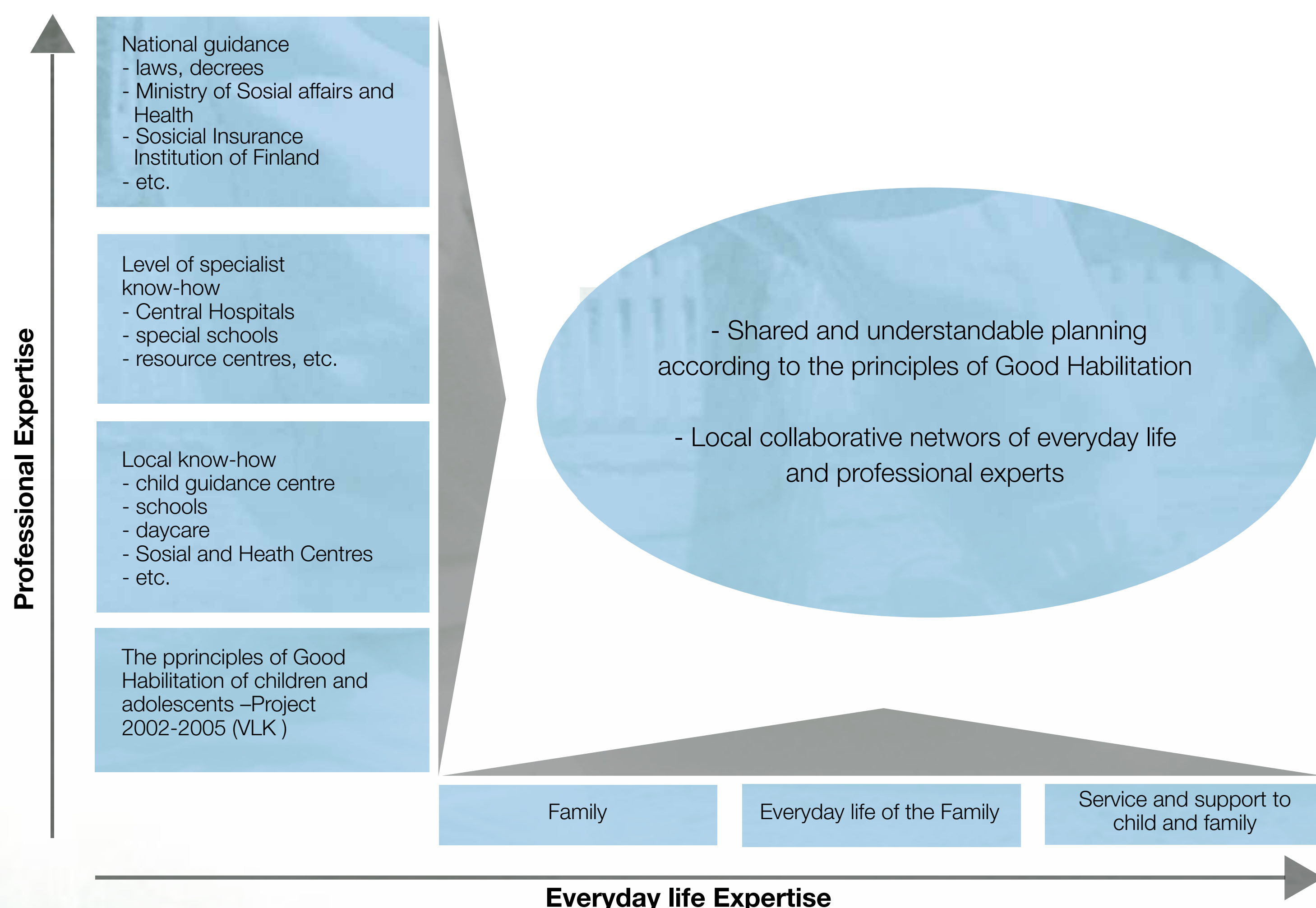


CLAIMS:

- Parents have a comprehensive view of local habilitation service
- Habilitation professionals are guided by the principles of Good Practice in Habilitation of Children and Adolescents
- The network of families and professionals are guided by the principles of Good Practice in Habilitation of Children and Adolescents
- Services are organized locally with local resources taken into account
- Local habilitation actors are informed about Good Habilitation practises by the network of key and contact people

Questionary to habilitation actors may 2009 and 2010 ; not at all 0 points – a lot 5 points
46 answers representing different habilitation teams from all around Finland

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RESULTS

- The project and the evaluation have not been completed. The evaluation already done shows that the participants have created local functional networks and new course of conduct for the planning of habilitation. The best results have occurred when the local actors have chosen the areas of improvement themselves.
- It seems that the support and education have been seminal in improvement and created a mutual learning process.

CONCLUSION

- In order to achieve a visible change various ways of evaluation and support are mandatory. However, the process takes time. It seems to be vital for the project that persons involved as well in the management as actual work are committed.

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