

Experience on stakeholders engagement in the process of elaboration of the 2nd National Strategic Plan for Childhood and Adolescence (PENIA II)

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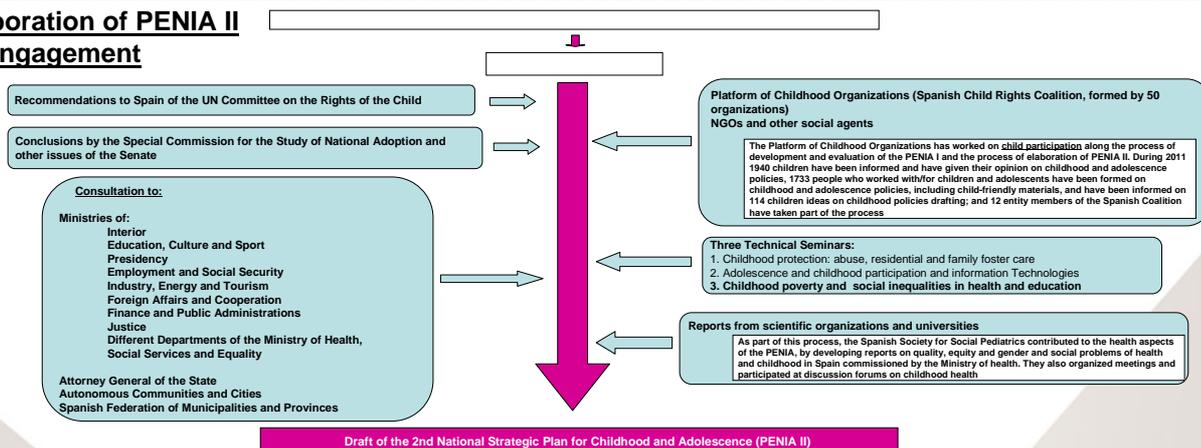
The **National Strategic Plan for Childhood and Adolescence (PENIA)** intends to constitute a framework of cooperation for all public administrations (State, Regional and Local), and childhood non governmental organizations, by defining, in a consensual manner, the large strategic lines of development of policies for childhood and adolescence in Spain. This global and integrated strategy is based on principles and provisions of the Convention of the rights of the child of the United Nations.

The aim of the PENIA is to promote the wellbeing of children and adolescents, taking into consideration their needs and interests in order to increase their quality of life and foster the full development of their capabilities as active subjects of their rights.

The 1st PENIA was developed in 2006-2009 (extended to 2010). Currently, the 2nd PENIA (2012-2015) is in process of elaboration (draft version phase). During this elaboration process, and in addition to the active participation of the Childhood Observatory*, other actors have been involved, and different inputs such as the conclusions of the three thematic seminars developed on 2011, have been taken into account. The elaboration process is described in depth on the figure below.

*The Childhood Observatory was created in 1999 as a working group of the Ministry of Health, Social Services and Equality and is composed by representatives of all ministries with competence in the field of childhood, General Directorates of childhood of the Autonomous Communities, the Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces (FEMP) and childhood NGOs and other social agents. This Observatory has a key role both in the elaboration and in the monitoring and evaluation of the PENIA. An "ad hoc" working group, coordinated by the General Directorate of Services for the family and childhood, is responsible for the follow-up of PENIA.

Process of elaboration of PENIA II - Stakeholder engagement



Conclusions

The PENIA II has improved on active participation of all the agents and coordination of the different administrations and social agents, contributing in this sense to achieve equity. Also, equity has been included in the principles and in other actions in health and education. The 3rd Technical Seminar has contributed to the inclusion of equity in these areas of the new Plan. Specifically, the health strategic line includes now an objective of health equity from the start.

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