Session 5: Collection of data on disability through censuses, surveys or administrative sources

Disability data collection through administrative sources in Romania

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The 2011 Population and Housing Census reference date was **20th October 2011**

**Fundamental goal** - to provide essential and quality information for governmental policies in the economic and social field, including for human development
Design of questionnaires

took into consideration, among others, the request from the *League for Rights’ Promotion and Defense of Persons with disabilities in Romania* – to collect data on disability according to International Classification of Functioning Disability and Health

the census questionnaire included the short set (*6 questions*) *elaborated by the Washington Group on Disability Statistics*
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Main administrative sources:

- Ministry of Labor and Social Justice with its subordinated institutions:
  - National Authority for Persons with Disabilities
  - National Authority for the Protection of Child's Rights and Adoption

- NGO’s working with the Ministry of Labor and Social Justice
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Ministry of Labor and Social Justice

• receive data from:
  - General Departments for Social Assistance and Child Protection at country level and at local level for the sectors of Bucharest
  - Public social assistance institutions for adult persons with disabilities

• provide data for both adults and children by:
  - institutionalized / non-institutionalised (in family) persons
  - type of disability (physical, somatic, auditive, visual, mental, psychic, associated, HIV/AIDS, rare diseases, deafness-blindness)
  - region
  - gender
  - age group
  - degree of disability (severe, marked, medium, minor)
  - residential centers / day care non-residential centers
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National Authority for Persons with Disabilities

- is the Romanian central authority designated to carry out the obligations laid down in the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities adopted at New York by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 13 December 2006 and signed by Romania on 26 September 2007, ratified by Law no. 221/2010
- develops the *National Electronic Register on Persons with Disabilities*, which includes both adults and children, but only those who receive disability allowance
- authorizes the interpreters of sign languages
- provides quarterly statistical bulletins on persons with disabilities (including employment by type of disability)
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National Authority for the Protection of Child's Rights and Adoption:
- monitors if the rights of all children are respected and take all necessary actions to help create a society worthy of children, involving local and central public administration authorities, civil society, parents and children
- provides statistics on:
  - children with disabilities
  - children with parents that have left to work abroad
  - abuse, neglect, exploitation of children
  - children abandoned in health care facilities
  - adoptions
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NGO’s receiving funding from the Ministry of Labor and Social Justice budget

- Association of the Blind in Romania
- Association of War Invalids Blind in Romania
- National Deaf Association in Romania
- National League of Organizations with Disabled Personnel of Craftsmanship Cooperatives
- National Disability Council in Romania
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**Integrated Education Register**
- the electronic information system that provides integrated data management for students in public and private education system in Romania
- records among personal data: “student in the category of persons with disabilities”
- starting with 2018 very likely to become an administrative source
Education Statistics on special education

Provide data by:
- form of education (part time / full time)
- grade
- age, sex, ethnicity
- type and degree of disability
- school situation (marks)
- teaching languages
European Health Interview Survey (EHIS) carried out in Romania

- **Aim:** provide information on health status, health determinants and health care use
- **Periodicity:** every 5 years
- **EHIS wave 2:** 2014
- **Concepts used:** possibility to measure disability according to various definitions
- **Key outputs:** functional limitations and link with detailed health variables

Wave 3 to be implemented in 2019 will include a module on disability
Thank you!