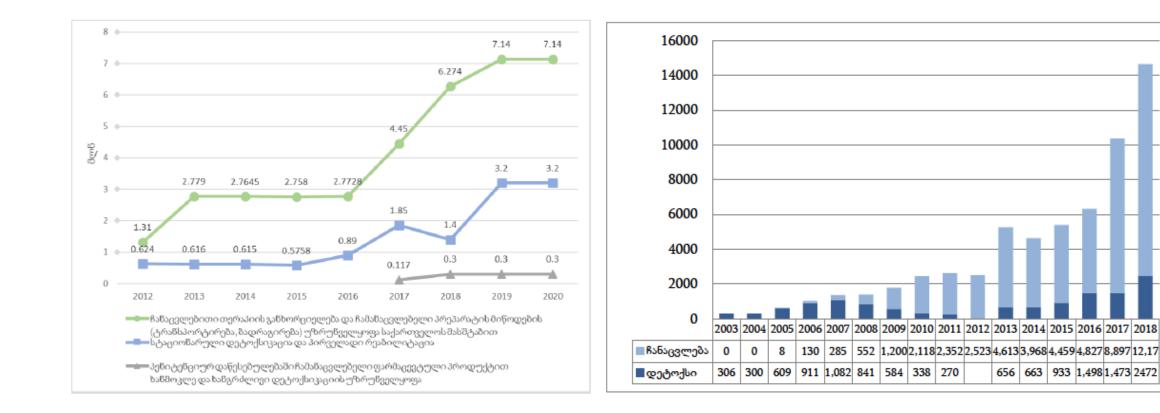
Capacity building for practitioners on evidencebased drug treatment interventions aligned with EU quality standards and tailored to national needs: reflections from Georgia

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Trends in state funding for SUD (left) and treatment episodes (right)



Context: quality of services

- Legacy of Soviet narcology (control vs care, bio vs biopsychosocial, no system/culture for quality control)
- No CME system in place
- Lack of institutional mechanisms for education

What is available

Education:

- 3-year residency in narcology (MD)
- 6-month specialization in narcology for psychiatrists
- CME module on OAT
- CME module on biopsychosocial model in addiction

What is available

Clinical protocols:

- Management of AUD in primary healthcare
- OST with methadone
- OST with suboxone
- Methadone detox

Developing interdisciplinary workforce in addictology

- Czech/EU/USAID supported capacity building projects
- Introducing concept of biopsychosocial factors in addiction

- Short term courses for field professionals
- Practice guidelines/textbooks
- Tomas Zabransky Institute of Addictology MA in Addiction Studies at Ilia State University







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- Timely
- Tailored
- Comprehensive







Ongoing work within CPR project – need for complementarity

Training modules	Guidelines / protocols
SBIRT/AUDIT/ASSIST	SBIRT/AUDIT/ASSIST
ASI	SUD in youth
Joint care & referral for SUD	Referral & information exchange for SUD
Management of NPS	OST in emergency
Cannabis	NSP in emergency
Management of dual diagnosis	Management of dual diagnosis (inc. youth & children)
Management of SUD in pregnant women	Management of SUD in pregnant women

What's next?

- Need for sustainable educational resources/infrastructure
- Quality assurance
- Role of professional associations

Thank you

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