

Children in the Union – Rights and Empowerment (CURE)

Children in the Union - Rights and Empowerment (CURE) is a project on child victims in the European Union run by the Swedish Crime Victim Compensation and Support Authority. CURE has a rights-centred approach and will raise awareness on best practices aimed at facilitating the situation of the child victim in the criminal justice procedure.

Protection from Hardship

The objective of CURE is to improve the position of child victims. To this end, the short-term goal is to gather information on the situation of the child victim in the EU member states and to provide recommendations to the European Commission. A conference will be held in December 2009 within the framework of the Swedish EU Presidency.

CURE - Two studies in one project

Within the CURE-project, a survey on the legal position of the child victim in the member states will be made and best practices will be collected.

The CURE-website:

www.childvictims.se

You can make a Contribution

We are looking for information from the member states of the European Union for our studies. We are interested in practices aimed to protect the child victim from hardship during the criminal procedure connected to any of the following themes:

- Information to child victims,
- The situation of the child victim during interviewing,
- Legal representation/assistance,
- The appearance of the child victim in court

whether as legislative reforms, policies, training, working methods, approaches, pilot projects or outreach/information. Some of the practices gathered in this study will be presented in a report in 2010 and at the CURE-conference. Information on national expertise, measures and practices could be provided at the address: cure@childvictims.se and through the CURE-website. We would appreciate if you could provide us with information before 1 October

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