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It is estimated that overall in the world every year children subject to violence are between 500 million and 1.5 billion on population (1,2).

The available data suggest that in the European region mistreatment on minors are for 9.6% sexual abuse, for 22,9 % abuse and physical violence, for 29,1% abuses and psychological violence, for 16,3% physical neglect and 18.4 % emotional neglect (3) (4).

The therapeutic clinical intervention mediated by the animal allows promoting the work on attention, concentration, perception of spatial boundaries of their own and others as . (5)(6)

Sensomotorial treatment is the first ratio when the memories of the trauma are not accessible to the victims, are entered in their mind and body, and it is precisely the latter that can become the vehicle through which evoke painful memories.

The animal plays a role as a bridge to physical communicative and body. The protocol is designed to be used in homogeneous groups of children between the ages of 4 and 12 years showing symptoms of PTSD and it is structured in 12 meetings lasting 50 minutes each.

The team of intervention is composed by: 1 psychologist project manager IAA, 1 contact intervention IAA, 1 coadjutor of dog IAA.

The professional figures involved are formed in accordance by current Italian legislation. (7)

The present work, will give a proposal for a clinical intervention for the treatment of psychological trauma in the age 4-12 years involving the use of interspecific relationship human-animal (dog) inside a path of sensomotorial therapy as well as theorized and conceptualized by J. Fischer running at Khiron House centre U.K where they incorporated the psycho-education, awareness and the adjustment of the arousal within a context of group therapy. (8) (9)

The clinical results will be communicated to the scientific community.

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