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INTERVENTIONS



- Information, education, communication
 - Prevention of TB in vulnerable populations
 - Increased adherence to treatment in TB patients
- Involvement of mass-media and stakeholders in TB control
- Training for GPs and family doctors in DOTS strategy
- Training (project management, financial management, advocacy, etc.) for NTP staff at national level
- Operational Research
- PAL

RESULTS (1)



- ✓ The National TB - IEC Strategy elaborated
- ✓ **13.086** people living in poor remote communities including Roma reached through IEC caravans



RESULTS (2)



- ✓ **80.000** TB patients in TB dispensaries and hospitals have been reached with IEC materials: TV sets were provided, TB movies, posters, leaflets.



RESULTS (4)



- ✓ **2,766** family doctors trained in DOTS strategy
- ✓ **1,966** medical staff from NTP have been trained in
 - ✓ Quality management
 - ✓ Project management
 - ✓ Financial management
 - ✓ Epidemiological surveillance
 - ✓ Communication & Advocacy



RESULTS (5)



- ✓ Research: PAL – epidemiological study re. chronic respiratory diseases prevalence in Romania
- ✓ Elaboration with WHO technical support of PAL Strategy; piloting of strategy.
- ✓ **Operational research (OR) - 30 staff from NTP** trained in OR
- ✓ **5** small grants awarded for OR



GOOD PRACTICE MODELS



- Developed partnership for TB control among NTP – Public institutions, NGOs.
- Intervenții complementare și conforme recomandărilor internaționale
- Collaboration and TA from international agencies: i.e. WHO, StopTB Partnership, DOW, KNCV
- Addressing the gap re. government funding for NTP

CHALLENGES



- Low level of knowledge re TB prevention among population
- Weak management re. DOT especially in vulnerable poor populations
- TB is not a priority for decision makers and politicians
 - Chronic underfunding of NTP
 - Limited EU funding for TB services and interventions

TO DO....



- Ensuring scaling up of interventions
- Ensuring sustainability of cost-effective interventions that are currently implemented with international support – Global Fund.