Child and Youth Services in Germany

2.2.3 Educational child and youth protection

Educational child and youth protection consists of a range of general preventive counselling and educational measures for children, adolescents and their parents. It aims to

- enable young people to protect themselves from harmful influences, learn to recognise threats, engage in critical assessment, take sound decisions, and embrace responsibility towards themselves and other people; and
- help parents and guardians learn how to protect children and adolescents from threats and dangers.

Educational child and youth protection is provided, e.g., via

- projects to empower children and adolescents (e.g., in kindergartens),
- family education (information and counselling),
- youth work, and/or
- general awareness-raising campaigns (e.g., concerning HIV/AIDS, drugs, harmful media, conspiracy theories, etc.).