

MODULE 2 SESSION 3.3 Activity 3 – HANDOUT – TERTIARY PREVENTION CASE STUDY

You are a case worker supervisor in an area hosting refugees. Your name is Irena. It is early in the morning, and you have a busy day ahead. One of the case workers in your team, Goran, carried out a home visit yesterday and he is calling you for advice.

Goran: “Hi Irena. I visited the 6-year-old separated boy and his grandfather again today. I would like to ask for your advice, do you have time to talk now?”

Irena: “Of course.”

Goran: “Okay, thanks. Well, this boy has been living with his grandfather for over a year. The bond between the boy and his grandfather seems very strong. This afternoon, his grandfather told me that he has recently been diagnosed with cancer and needs urgent treatment, which he has been referred for here in the local town.”

Irena: “Do you know if the grandfather and the boy are in contact with his parents?”

Goran: “No, his grandfather said that he has not heard from his parents since leaving their country. The boy’s parents remained in the country of origin after violence broke out.”

Irena: “Okay, and do you know if the boy’s family is being traced?”

Goran: “Yes, I have referred the case for tracing purposes a few months ago, but tracing results have not been positive so far. Also, the boy told me that he loves his grandfather but that he is sad because he is missing his parents and siblings.”

Irena: “Could you pass by the office so that we can discuss in more detail and adjust the case plan?”

Goran: “Yes, of course. I am on my way now.”

Prepare a response to the following questions:

1. Which risk factors and which protective factors can you identify?
2. Describe the measures to mitigate these risks and potential long-term impact.