



Recommendation 1715 (2005)¹

Improving the response to mental health needs in Europe

Parliamentary Assembly

1. The Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe refers to its [Resolution 1460 \(2005\)](#) on improving the response to mental health needs in Europe.

2. It recommends that the Committee of Ministers :

forward this resolution to the governments of member states and ask them to take it into account when formulating and implementing their policies on mental health and respect for the rights of persons suffering from mental disorder ;

in co-operation with the World Health Organization (WHO) and the European Union, assist the member states in drawing up and implementing their reform of mental health in order to ensure that restructurings of the various public mental health services are carried out without any loss of financial resources ;

ensure the exchange of experience and good practice between the member states.

1. Assembly debate on 24 June 2005 (24th Sitting) (see [Doc.10544](#), report of the Social, Health and Family Affairs Committee, rapporteur : Mr Evin). Text adopted by the Assembly on 24 June 2005 (24th Sitting).

