

Fight Against Sexual Abuse in Peru

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BICE fights against sexual abuse

Since 1997, BICE and its partners have worked on the fight against sexual abuse in Peru.

The aims of our "[Fight against sexual abuse](#)" programme are to:

- Reduce situations of violence and the risk of abuse,
- Provide good therapeutic support to sexual abuse victims,
- [Promote resilience](#) and recovery in child victims of sexual abuse,
- Teach children to identify and deal with dangerous situations that can lead to sexual violence
- Train professionals in [advocacy](#) to promote the implementation of children's rights.

Activities against sexual abuse

As part of the "[Fight against sexual abuse](#)" programme, we conduct the following activities:

- Training on therapeutic support for children:
 - Resilience
 - The psychological approach to sexual abuse
 - Interviewing child victims
 - Choosing the appropriate therapy for abused children
- Development of a training manual for professionals working with children: Integration of the "Grain of sand" method in schools. This involves a series of sketches of violent situations (physical violence, humiliation, sexual abuse ...). Through discussion, children are encouraged to identify risks and and devise strategies, according to a proven protocol.

The "Grain of sand" method also involves the use of adult mediators. These are adults within the school with whom children are comfortable disclosing any problems regarding sexual abuse. These adults are trained to listen to the children and to direct them to appropriate services.

Key figures of the programme

In total, over 2,300 children in Peru are involved in activities against sexual abuse:

- 1,600 children benefit directly from the prevention of sexual abuse,
- 700 child victims receive counselling and support.