

# EXPERIENCES OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS IN IMPLEMENTING THE WHO ICF MODEL FOR DISABILITY DETERMINATION IN ARMENIA

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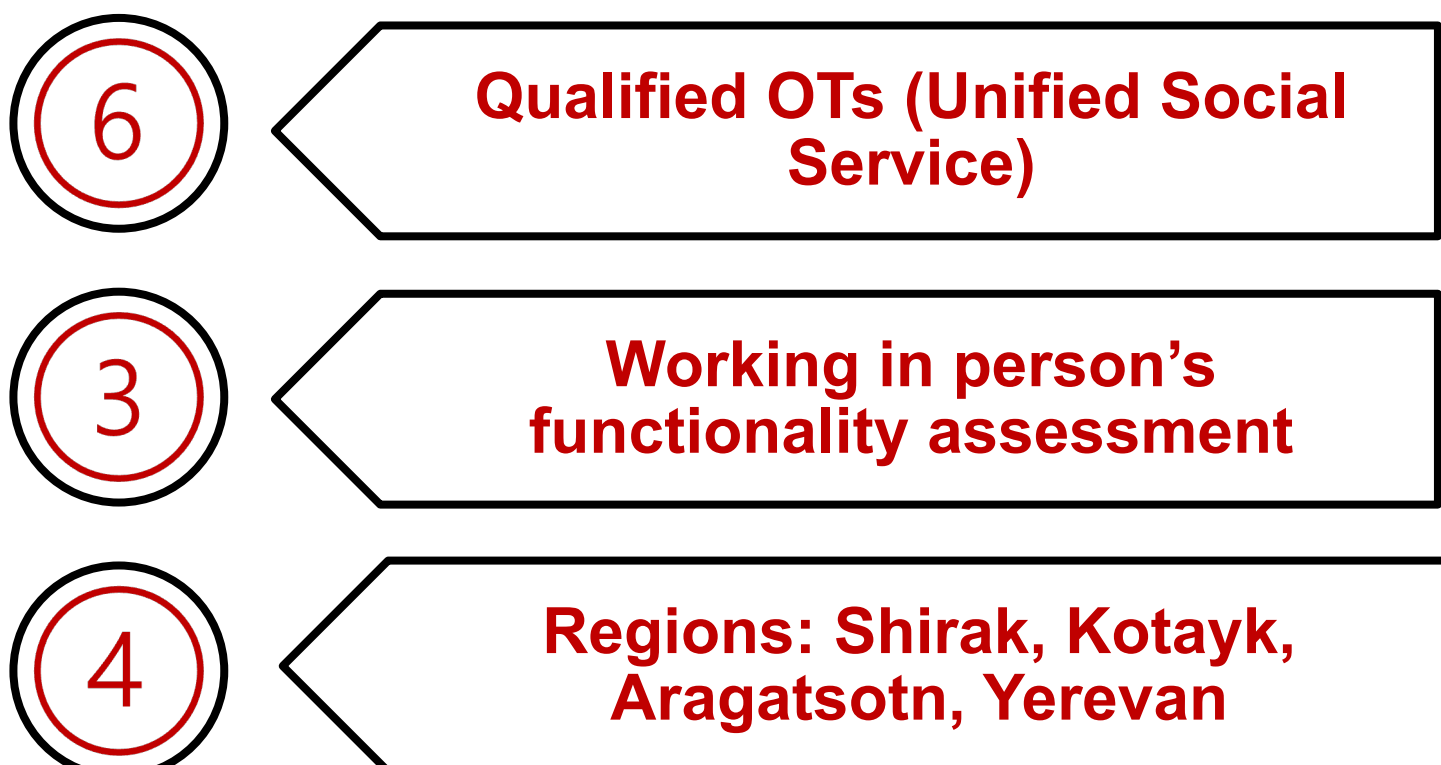
## METHODS

- ❑ Qualitative study design
- ❑ Virtual semi-structured interviews
- ❑ Audio-recorded, transcribed (Armenian), translated (English)
- ❑ Supervised by OT

## RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

- 1** Evaluate implementation of the new ICF-based disability assessment process from OTs perspectives.
- 2** Propose strategic interventions to strengthen and improve the assessment process.

## PARTICIPANTS



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**EXTERNAL  
FACTORS**

- **Insufficient staff training**
- **Inconsistency with coding**
- **Insufficient time to complete assessment**
- **Shortage of Qualified Specialists**
- **Lack of standardized assessments**
- **Complexity of the assessment process**

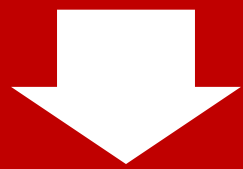
- **Limited Professional Experience in Adult Rehabilitation**
- **Lack of knowledge related to complex health conditions**
- **Lack of Specialized Training**



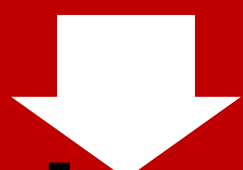
**INTERNAL  
FACTORS**

# NEXT STEPS

**Interviews with PTs, SLPs and  
psychologists**



**Site visits to disability  
assessment centers**



**Synthesis &  
recommendations presented  
to Ministry of Labour and  
Social Affairs**

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