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## **EXPERIENCE WITH OUR AMBULANCE OF MENTALLY RETARDED PEOPLE, WITH PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS SINCE 1992 IN THE CHRISTIAN DOPPLER CLINIC SALZBURG/AUSTRIA**

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A helpful longterm ambulant treatment of mentally retarded outdoor-patients with multiple psychiatric disorders in a region of Salzburg, Upper Austria, Styria, Tyrol and Bavaria.

The problematic subject needs a special treatment with continuous ambulant contacts.

The aims are not to change the environment of our patients and to help the professional outdoor teams to cope with the different problematics.

The Method is a team of psychiatrist and pedagogic professionalist to help the patients in contact with parents and outdoor institutions (called for example "Lebenshilfe") to cope with their special needs.

Until now are ~ 500 patients in our ambulant treatment and the numbers are still increasing.

The necessity of special ambulances with a high grade of networking.

I hope for a helpful discussion.