



## Project Casa Mare (PCM) Activities 2004-Present

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| <b>2014</b> | <p>*Continuing research on a sub-culture of the chronically mentally ill (CMI)</p> <p><b>*Fulbright Scholar Award</b> – Assessment of social needs and utilization of social services in the environment of ethnic tension in Moldova.</p> | <p>*Women’s Club in Moldova grant for the children’s ward at the State Psychiatric Hospital.</p> <p>*Grant application to the Open Society Foundation for deinstitutionalization of “internats”</p> <p>*Grant application to Erasmus Mundus in collaboration with five EU and four Eastern European countries</p> <p>*Applied for a grant from the US Embassy to organize a social work conference at ULIM in June 2015</p> | <p><b>*Master of Social Work (MSW) Program</b> at ULIM: Spring, Summer and Fall semesters</p> <p>*Fulbright Scholar Award - Research at the Pilot Graduate School of Social Work in Moldova</p>   | <p>*Organized the 5<sup>th</sup> bi-annual conference of the <b>International Society for Interpersonal Acceptance and Rejection (ISIPAR)</b> at ULIM with participation from 19 countries. PCM presentation on dialectics in social work.</p> <p>*Moldovan, V., Grotelueschen, J, &amp; Gutu, I. (2014). Teaching Conflict: The Dialectic Method in the Social Work Education, 5<sup>th</sup> ISIPAR Conference in Chisinau.</p>   | <p>*Ongoing discussions with the <b>Ministry of Labor, Social Protection and Family</b> re. professionalization of social work in Moldova</p> <p>*Presentation by the MSW Summer Class on Environmental Social Work with participation from the <b>Ministry of Environmental Protection.</b></p> <p>*Contacts with social work academicians in Austria and Romania to discuss the MSW program at ULIM as a <b>pilot for the global social work education reform.</b></p> <p>*Discussion at Timbos Institute in Utrecht (WHO project in Moldova) re. PCM participation.</p> |
| <b>2013</b> | <p>*The Summer MSW class conducted a research project on attitudes toward marginalized groups in Moldova.</p>  | <p>*A model for psycho-social rehabilitation center for the CMI in Moldova developed</p>  | <p><b>*MSW program launched at ULIM.</b> Courses co-taught by a Moldovan/American faculty team. Summer and fall semesters taught during the first year. Internships at the prison, state psychiatric hospital, and children’s agencies.</p> | <p><b>*The International Center for Advancement of Social Work in Countries with Transition Economies</b> inaugurated at ULIM during the conference on social education.</p> <p>*Global Education at CUNY – presentation on the MSW Program in Moldova by V. Moldovan, &amp; V. Gonta at York College.</p> <p><b>*The Council on Social Work Education</b> – annual meeting in Dallas, Presentation on principles of global social work education by V. Moldovan &amp; V. Gonta</p> | <p>*Opening for the Center took place with participation from the <b>Ministry of Labor, Social Protection and Family</b> and faculty Moldovan and American Universities.</p>   |
| <b>2012</b> | <p>*W. Divale (PSC-CUNY): Part Time</p>  | <p>*Discussions re. the rehabilitation/vocational</p>   | <p><b>*Consortium</b> consisting of three Moldovan universities and</p>   | <p>*Moldovan, V. (2012), From Program Mission to Assessment: Integrated Social Work</p>   | <p><b>*Governmental Award to V. Moldovan - from the Prime</b></p>  |

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|             | Street Children in the Republic of Moldova<br>V. Moldovan (PSC-CUNY): “ At the intersection of cultures: Participant-observation on the psychiatric ward | center at Costuzheni - with the administration of the <b>State Psychiatric Hospital.</b> | five American universities (including CUNY, University of Minnesota, University of North Kentucky, University of St. Luis, Aurora University) developed curriculum for the MSW Program at ULIM. Representatives from the American universities: S. Rodgers, P. Gibson, L. Wermeling, J. Curley, and K. Brendel – traveled to Moldova to teach, conduct seminars, assess, and plan with PCM staff. | Curriculum, International Colloquium at Free International University of Moldova, Republic of Moldova;<br>*Moldovan, V. (2012), Lest we forget: Soviet Psychiatry in its relevance to the contemporary construction of mental illness, “Toward the Global Psychology” Conference at St. Francis College, New York.<br>*Presentation on Project Casa Mare at York College.  | <b>Minister of the Republic Moldova</b> for contribution to the educational system of Moldova.<br>*Consortium consisting of three Moldovan universities and five American universities (including CUNY, University of Minnesota, University of North Carolina, University of St. Luis, Aurora University) formed for the purpose of developing a MSW program at ULIM. |
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| <b>2011</b> | *V. Moldovan: Research on the history of psychiatry in the Soviet Union  |  |   | *Divale, W.; Aftene, V.; Moldovan, V.; Nacu, A., 2011. Parental Acceptance, Rejection and Influence of Father-Absence on the Chronically Mentally Ill in Moldova. In, Kourkoutas, E. & Erkman, F. (Eds.). <i>Interpersonal Acceptance and Rejection: Social, Emotional, and Educational Contexts</i> . Boca Raton, FL: Brown Walker Press, pps. 163-172;<br>*Moldovan, V. (2011). <i>Remembering the "glory days": Conversations with mental health practitioners of the Soviet era</i> . The 39 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Cross-Cultural Research, Charleston |   |
| <b>2010</b> | *V. Moldovan: Research on the history of psychiatry in the Soviet Union  |  |   | *Moldovan, V. (2010). <i>History and ideology of the soviet psychiatry</i> . The 38 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Cross-Cultural Research, Albuquerque   |   |
| <b>2009</b> | *W.Divale (PSC-CUNY): Comparison of Machlach and Short Form Burnout Scales in Moldova MDs & PhDs.  |  |   |  |   |
| <b>2008</b> |  |  |   | <b>*International Conference on Community Psychiatry in Chisinau.</b><br>*Aspects of subculture on the psychiatric ward Vadim Moldovan, York College, CUNY, USA Alexandru Ciobanu, USMF “N. Testemițanu”, RM;  | *Meetings with the Minister of Health in Moldova re prospects for collaboration   |

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|             |  |  |                           | <p>*Moldovan, V., Divale, W., Nacu, A., Socroviscuiuc, A., Sterpu, V. et. al. (Winter/07-08). <b>A struggle to survive: Services for the chronically mentally ill in Moldova</b>, <i>International Journal of Mental Health</i>, 36(4);</p> <p>*Moldovan, V. (2008). <i>Subculture of the community of the chronically mentally ill: Testing the hypothesis through the participant/action research methodology</i>. The 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Global Mental Health in Moldova, Chisinau, Moldova;</p> <p>*Moldovan, V. (2008). Through the looking glass of madness: Treating mentally ill into conformity. York College/ CUNY seminar – Madness Across the Curriculum, New York;</p> <p>Moldovan, V. (2008). <i>Roles, rules and rituals: An ethnographic study of the community of the chronically mentally ill in Moldova</i>. The 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Cross-Cultural Research, New Orleans.</p> |   |
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| <b>2007</b> | <p><b>*W. Divale (PSC-CUNY): Burnout, Coping &amp; Individualism-Collectivism among Moldovan Mental Hospital Staff &amp; University Students</b></p> <p>*D. Tewfik: The study of abilities to fulfill the activities according to a given model.</p> <p>*V. Moldovan (PSC-CUNY) – “Attributes of the subculture of the chronically mentally ill: Terminal values, instrumental values, and rituals”.</p> | <p>*Unveil the <b>International Center for Community Psychiatry in Moldova</b> (in collaboration between York College and Medical University in Moldova)</p> <p>Promote community psychiatry Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union</p> <p>*Plans for opening <i>Casa Mare</i> community-based drop-in center for the chronically mentally ill Chisinau, Moldova</p> <p>*Discussion at York College re. <b>The Center for Eastern European Studies</b></p> |                           | <p><b>*International Seminar on Community Psychiatry in Chisinau</b> – organized by PCM.</p> <p>*Divale, W., Moldovan, V., Nacu, A., Fauras, V., Strepu, V., Aftene, V., et al. (2007). <b>Data on the PARQ and the PAQ instruments for 200 chronically mentally ill and 160 college students from Moldova</b>. <i>World Cultures: Journal of Comparative and Cross-Cultural Research</i>, 16(1);</p> <p>*Tewfik, D. 2007, A New Model for Community Based Psychiatry in Moldova; Moldovan, V. (2007), <i>History of community psychiatry in the United States</i>, International Seminar on Community Psychiatry in Moldova, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova</p> <p>*Moldovan, V. (2007). <i>Value system of the chronically mentally ill: A postmodernist cultural analysis</i>. The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Cross-Cultural Research, San Antonio.</p>  | <p>*In addition to Dr. Divale, Dr. Moldovan, Prof. Tewfik, and Ms. Cardona-Divale, two administrators from the City University of New York/York College came to Moldova: Cynthia Haller, Associate Dean of Humanities and Olga Dais, Executive Director of Legal Compliance. They visited the <b>Ministry of Health, State Medical University “Nicolae Testemitanu”, and the State University in Moldova</b> in order to establish collaborative contracts regarding exchange of students, residents and faculty.</p> |
| <b>2006</b> | <p>*Dr. Divale: A study of burnout among professional working in the field of mental health</p>  | <p>*Phoenix Charitable Foundation Grant – <b>International Center for Community Psychiatry in</b></p>  |                           | <p>*Moldovan, V. (2006). <i>A subculture perspective on the communities of the chronically mentally ill</i>. The 5<sup>th</sup> International</p>   |   |

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|             | <p>(doctors, nurses, maintenances, and other staff).</p> <p>*V. Moldovan (PSC-CUNY) - "An examination of the community of the seriously and persistently mentally ill as subculture</p> <p>*D. Tewfik (PSC-CUNY): Examination of types of activities that motivate and bring sense to chronic mentally disabled persons. Occupational therapy approaches and diagnostics among the adults and children at Costuzheni.</p> | <p><b>Moldova</b> to assess mental health needs and develop innovative psychotherapeutic models in Moldova.</p> |                           | <p>Conference on Social Work in Health and Mental Health, Hong Kong, China;</p> <p>*Tewfik, D., Moldovan, V. &amp; Divale, W. (2006). <i>Partners in OT around the world: Promoting partnerships for the mentally ill in the Republic of Moldova</i>. The Annual Conference of the New York State Occupational Therapy Association at the United Nations, New York</p> <p>*Moldovan, V., Divale, W., Nacu, A., &amp; Cardona-Divale, M.V. (2006). <i>Evidence of subculture among the chronically mentally ill in the Republic of Moldova</i>. The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Cross-Cultural Research, Savannah</p> <p>*Divale, W, Moldovan, V., Nacu, A. &amp; Cardona-Divale, M-V. (2006). <i>Influence of early parental acceptance/rejection on adult chronically mentally ill in the Republic of Moldova</i>. The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Cross-Cultural Research. Savanna</p> |                                 |
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| <b>2005</b> | <p>*W. Divale (PSC-CUNY): Study of parental rejection in childhood and its influence on development of schizophrenia symptoms in adults.</p> <p>*V. Moldovan (PSC-CUNY): "Patterns of parental acceptance/rejection among the chronically mentally ill in the Republic of Moldova".</p>   |   |                           | <p>*Moldovan, V. (2005). <i>The anti-culture of collectivities of the chronically mentally ill</i>. The 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Cross-Cultural Research, Santa Fe.</p>   |                                 |
| <b>2004</b> |   |   |                           | <p>*Moldovan, V. (2004). <i>Ideologies of helping in the Post-Soviet world</i>. The 3<sup>rd</sup> International Social Work Conference in Havana, Cuba</p> <p>Moldovan, V. (2004). <i>Ideology of helping in the age of conflict and confusion</i>. Social Policy Conference sponsored by the University South Carolina, Charleston;</p>  |                                 |

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|  |  |  |  | <p>*Moldovan, V. (2004). <i>Professional identity and ideological orientation: A lesson in social work from Eastern Europe</i>. The 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Social Work in Health and Mental Health in Quebec City, Canada</p> |  |
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