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The Centre for Support, Development and Promotion of Family Group Conferences (FGC) was established in January 2017 as part of a joint project of Amalthea (organisation providing social services for families and children) and Energeia (generates eco-friendly electricity to raise funds for social and educational activities and implements the projects at the same time).

RK centrum follows up on the work of the FGC team (formerly under Amalthea), which started promoting the idea of introducing FGC in the Czech Republic in April 2013. Back then, FGC were practically unknown even among the professional public in the Czech Republic.

We conduct FGC in Pardubice and Hradec Králové Regions and around (two out of 14 regions). The team has 1 administrator and 4 co-ordinators. The main objective is to promote the idea and vision of FGC and pursue development of this approach across the country. **RK centrum** spreads awareness of FGC by means of discussion sessions, lectures, educational seminars and expert conferences. We have established cooperation with universities and we organise methodological meetings for other organisations providing FGC. We deal with motivations of FGC key workers (notably social-legal child protection authorities) to help them understand the meaning and benefits of FGC and make more intense use of them.

History of FGC in our company:

-  2010: visit to Scotland, first encounter with FGC
-  2011: Lumos organised a FGC course for Amalthea
-  2012: FGC methodology issued, inspired by the Scottish model
-  2013: Pilot project for FGC implementation in social work with endangered families, supported by the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs (MLSA)
-  2013: visit to Slovakia, Úsmev ako dar (organisation providing FGC)
-  2014: Involvement in a MLSA project for FGC application based on the Dutch model of Eigen Kracht
-  2015: Development of evaluation analysis of MLSA project and methodological papers for co-ordinators, administrators and child protection authority staff
-  2017: RK centrum established

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