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#### Abstract:

In a world in which all institutions and social relations change rapidly, the family also undergoes certain transformations. Thus, we witness the adaptation of individual behaviour and lifestyles to demographic, economic and social changes, which affect contemporary societies; we also become aware of the multiplication and diversity of family patterns, the new models co-existing with the so-called classical one. As far as our society is concerned, the family pattern has moved from an extended structure (within which the rapports between generations used to be governed by stable traditions and moral, spiritual, educational and material values through "unwritten laws"), either towards a small family of the classical type or towards atypical forms, such as single-parent families. Because of these changes, the responsibilities of the family, as a social institution, have been lost. Especially its educational role has been affected. Taking into account that family education, which begins early in a person's life, determines the development of one's personality, it is a fact that the consequences are worth worrying about. The usefulness of this project is related to the assumptions that the flaws in family education play an essential role in the crimes committed by people under age. Moreover, we have highlighted the negative results of the decrease of family education on the social integration of people under age, with a view to adapt the prevention system to this form of social reality. We consider that this brief study could serve as guidelines for complex research on the etiological approach of criminal behaviour, as individual or group manifestation, and of under age criminality as a global phenomenon. Starting from the fact that the elimination of causes must gain field in parallel with the minimization of effects, we have pinpointed the importance of the creation of a project of juvenile crime prevention, whose main objective should be the recuperation of the family educational role, besides other objectives, so that the entire problematic of the concern for the people under age and the crime prevention among this category should become part of unitary and rigorous action.

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