

# Socio-economic views on music therapy

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**Abstract:** *The intent of this article is to explain the socio-economic benefits of music therapy. The benefits of using music therapy are promoting a cohesive and inclusive society, reducing costs for caring for the sick people in hospitals, hospices, development and enlightenment of preschool children and students, creating more jobs and increasing efficiency and relaxation of the institutional staff. Other important issues addressed in this article are the stages of the sustainable development of music therapy, costs assessment of music therapy in the US as well as the specificity of music therapy in Europe.*

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