



# EU4Health Programme

for the Union's action  
in the field of health under the MFF 2021-27

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## Regulation (EU) 2021/522 – EU4Health Programme

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# EU4Health – 4 General objectives

*EU4Health is a clear message that public health is a priority for Europe and it is the instrument to pave the way to a European Health Union*



**IMPROVE & FOSTER HEALTH** through disease prevention and health promotion, as well as international health initiatives and cooperation



**PROTECT PEOPLE FROM SERIOUS CROSS-BORDER HEALTH THREATS** through prevention, preparedness and response to cross-border health threats, complementing national stockpiling of essential crisis-relevant products and establishing a reserve of medical, healthcare and support staff;



**IMPROVE ACCESS TO MEDICINAL PRODUCTS, MEDICAL DEVICES & CRISIS-RELEVANT PRODUCTS** by encouraging sustainable production and supply chains and innovation in the Union as well as efficient use of medicinal products;



**STRENGTHEN THE NATIONAL HEALTH SYSTEMS** through improved health data use and re-use, development of digital tools and services, digital transformation of healthcare, enhancing access to healthcare, developing and implementing Union health legislation and evidence-based decision-making and integrated work among MS health systems.



# EU4Health – 10 Specific objectives

*EU4Health will provide the means and the instruments for delivering on the EU Health policy along ten key areas of intervention*

## IMPROVE & FOSTER HEALTH



- Health promotion and disease prevention; cancer
- International health initiatives & cooperation.



## PROTECT PEOPLE



- Prevention, preparedness & response to cross-border health threats;
- Complementing national stockpiling of essential crisis-relevant products;
- Establishing a reserve of medical, healthcare & support staff.



## ACCESS TO MEDICINAL PRODUCTS & MEDICAL DEVICES



- Enhancement of availability, accessibility & affordability of medicinal products, medical devices and crisis-relevant products

## STRENGTHEN HEALTH SYSTEMS



- Strengthening health data, digital tools & services, digital transformation of healthcare;
- Enhancing access to healthcare;
- Developing and implementing EU health legislation and evidence-based decision making;
- Integrated work among MS health systems.

# EU4Health – annual work programmes : the process



- **INPUT, CONSULTATION, INFORMATION** – on priorities, strategic orientations and needs



- **PREPARATION** – the Commission drafts the annual work programme



- **COMMITTEE PROCEDURE** – opinion of the EU4Health Programme Committee



- **ADOPTION** – implementing acts

STAKEHOLDERS  
(INPUT)

EU4HEALTH STEERING GROUP – MS  
(CONSULTATION)

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT – ENVI COMM.  
(INFORMATION)

EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
DG SANTE

EU4HEALTH PROGRAMME COMMITTEE –  
MS (OPINION)

EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
(DECISION)

# EU4Health work programmes – 4 strands of action + cancer

*EU4Health supports a broad range of actions under four overarching “strands” with a cross-cutting focus on cancer*

CANCER



## CRISIS PREPAREDNESS

- Improve and foster health in the EU
- Reduce the burden of communicable and non-communicable diseases
- Support health promotion and disease prevention
- Reduce health inequalities
- Foster healthy lifestyles



## HEALTH PROMOTION & DISEASE PREVENTION

- Protect citizens from serious cross-border health threats
- Strengthen health systems response;
- Enhance coordination among Member States to cope with serious cross-border threats to health

Possible eligible action



## HEALTH SYSTEMS & HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE

- Improve availability, accessibility and affordability of medicinal products and medical devices
- Support their innovation
- Strengthen resilience and sustainability of health systems
- Reinforce healthcare workforce



## DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

- Advance digital transformation of health systems
- Strengthen primary & secondary use of health data

# EU4Health – financial envelope & work programmes

*Health is an investment and the EU4Health Programme is the main financial instrument to fund the Union health initiatives*



# Funding opportunities – Work Programme 2022

*HERA – deadline 21 February 2023*



EU4H-2022-PJ-4: Call to support structured dialogue at national or regional level on public procurement in the health sector (HERA)



Public buyers, central purchasing bodies, private entities, Member States' authorities and civil society organisations (associations, foundations, NGOs and similar entities)

Consortium composition



EUR 5 million



# Funding opportunities – Work Programme 2022

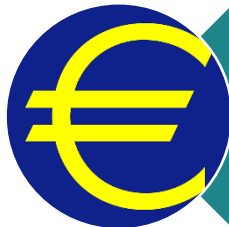
*Second wave of open calls – deadline for submission 28 February 2023*



EU4H-2022-PJ-14: Call for proposals to support the roll-out of the second cohort of the inter-speciality cancer training programme



Academia and education establishments, research institutes, hospitals, expert networks, Member States' authorities and established networks in the field of public health



EUR 7 million

# Funding opportunities – Work Programme 2022

*Second wave of open calls - deadline for submission 28 February 2023*



EU4H-2022-PJ-11: Call for proposals on NCDs – **cardiovascular diseases and diabetes**

EU4H-2022-PJ-12: Call for proposals on cancer and other NCDs prevention – **action on health determinants** (sub-topic 1 on cancer; sub-topic 2 on NCDs other than cancer)



Academia (e.g. public health institutes) and education establishments, civil society organisations supporting the priority areas (health professional associations, patients' organisations, foundations, NGOs and similar entities)

Specific eligibility criteria applicable



EUR 5 million for CVD and diabetes

EUR 8 million for sub-topic 1 on cancer

EUR 3 million for sub-topic on other NCDs

# EU4Health 2023 Work Programme

## European Health Union: EU4Health Work Programme 2023

The work programme 2023 will contribute towards further development of a European Health Union. It will particularly address:

THE TOTAL BUDGET  
IS EUR 735,8 MILLION

- ▶ Health-related urgencies due to Russia's unjustified and unprovoked war against Ukraine
- ▶ Cross-border health threats
- ▶ Developments in digital health
- ▶ Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe
- ▶ Europe's Beating Cancer Plan
- ▶ Global health
- ▶ Mental health

EUR 493 million dedicated to major actions supporting SANTE key priorities

FUNDING	2023 Budget (in million EUR)
<b>Direct management</b>	<b>604.69</b>
of which Grants	428.26
of which Procurement	176.43
<b>Indirect management (contribution agreements)</b>	<b>131.10</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>735.79</b>

# EU4Health 2023 Work Programme

1. CRISIS PREPAREDNESS (CP)	358.40
HERA <sup>16</sup>	242.75
IMPROVING AND STRENGTHENING NATIONAL SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS	97.6
STRENGTHENING THE EU EARLY WARNING AND RESPONSE SYSTEM AND NATIONAL ALERT AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS (EWRS) <sup>17</sup>	2.0
EUROPEAN IMMUNIZATION AGENDA <sup>18</sup>	2.0
SUPPORT THE SET-UP ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF EU REFERENCE LABORATORIES	8.2
ADVISORY COMMITTEE SET - UP TO DEAL WITH EMERGENCIES	0.45
RISK ASSESSMENTS FOR CHEMICAL, ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE THREATS DRAWN UP WITHIN AGENCIES <sup>19</sup>	0.6
INTEGRATED SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS ON ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE AND ANTIMICROBIAL USE	0.5
CRISIS PREPAREDNESS IN UKRAINE AND NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES <sup>20</sup>	4.3

2. HEALTH PROMOTION & DISEASE PREVENTION (DP)	33.54
TOBACCO CONTROL POLICIES	4.0
PREVENTION OF NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES (NCDs) – CHRONIC RESPIRATORY DISEASES, MENTAL HEALTH, DEMENTIA	18.36
OPERATING GRANTS	9.0
SUPPORT TO HEALTH POLICY PLATFORM, SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES, AND EXPERT GROUPS, AND SUPPORT TO EUROPEAN CLIMATE AND HEALTH OBSERVATORY	2.18

5. DIGITAL (DI)	26.0
EUROPEAN HEALTH DATA SPACE – INFRASTRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE; PRIMARY USE OF DATA	19.5
EUROPEAN HEALTH DATA SPACE – INFRASTRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE; SECONDARY USE OF DATA	6.5

3. CANCER (CR)	187.3
CANCER PREVENTION	1.5
EU NETWORK OF COMPREHENSIVE CANCER INFRASTRUCTURES	130.5
IMPLEMENTATION OF CANCER SCREENING PROGRAMMES	38.5
MENTAL HEALTH AND CANCER	10.0
QUALITY OF LIFE OF CANCER SURVIVORS	1.5
REDUCING CANCER INEQUALITIES <sup>21</sup>	2.5
IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC AGENDA FOR MEDICAL IONISING RADIATION	2.8

4. HEALTH SYSTEMS & HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE (HS)	118.42
REFORMING AND STRENGTHENING HEALTH SYSTEMS <sup>22</sup>	8.7
ENHANCING EUROPEAN REFERENCE NETWORKS	83.4
STRENGTHENING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LEGISLATION ON BLOOD, TISSUES AND CELLS AND ORGANS	1.4
IMPLEMENTATION OF REGULATIONS ON MEDICAL DEVICES AND IN VITRO DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL DEVICES	8.25
IMPLEMENTATION OF PHARMACEUTICALS LEGISLATION AND PHARMACEUTICAL STRATEGY FOR EUROPE <sup>23</sup>	8.17
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HEALTH TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT REGULATION	3.00
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CROSS-BORDER HEALTHCARE DIRECTIVE	0.5
GLOBAL HEALTH	5.0

6. OTHER ACTIONS	12.12
COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES	3.67
RECURRENT IT ACTIVITIES	5.5
OTHER ACTIVITIES	2.95

# 2023 work programme – adopted 21 November 2022 !

POLICY PRIORITIES	KEY INITIATIVES	BUDGET 2023 (MILLION EUR)
<b>Europe's Beating Cancer Plan</b>	Establishment of EU Network of Comprehensive Cancer Infrastructures, Supporting Member States implement cancer screening programmes and development of guidelines	<b>169</b>
<b>EU's resilience to cross-border threats to health</b>	Strengthening national surveillance systems, EU Reference Laboratories	<b>105,1</b>
<b>European Reference Networks (ERNs)</b>	Multi-annual grants for the 24 ERNs, including support to IT activities and for Ukraine on rare diseases	<b>83,4</b>
<b>European Health Data Space</b>	Primary & secondary use of data	<b>26</b>
<b>Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe and implementation of health legislations</b>	Implementation of Health Union legislations such as medical devices and health technology assessment	<b>21,3</b>
<b>Global Health and international initiatives</b>	Support global health leadership and the Team Europe approach, Immunisation Agenda, access to healthcare for refugees and people displaced from Ukraine, response capacity in Ukraine, cancer inequalities	<b>21,3</b>
<b>Mental health</b>	Addressing mental health challenges in cancer patients and survivors/ carers; Development of European Code for Mental Health, Supporting national and stakeholders' efforts to address challenges	<b>18,4</b>
<b>Complementary initiatives on crisis preparedness, health promotion &amp; disease prevention, health systems resilience, cancer</b>		<b>48,5</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>493</b>

## DP-g-23-34 Open call for proposals for operating grants to non-governmental organisations

### **POLICY CONTEXT / health challenges:**

- COVID-19 pandemic; NCDs; health determinants; ageing society; vulnerable groups; rare diseases; poor nutrition; physical inactivity; obesity; tobacco use and harmful use of alcohol; cardiovascular diseases; dementia; age-related diseases and disabilities;
- access to sustainable, efficient, equitable, and affordable high-quality medicinal products;
- patients views & access to diagnosis/rare disease;
- people in vulnerable situations & mental illness, NCD&CD.

### **OBJECTIVES, SCOPE AND ACTIVITIES**

- To ensure the participation of health NGOs in activities that are necessary to implement one or more specific objectives of the EU4Health Programme.
- To provide support to the functioning of certain NGOs during 2022 for **activities including:**
  - awareness raising on various health aspects
  - communication and dissemination
  - capacity building and training
  - expert collaboration and networking.

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### EXPECTED RESULTS AND IMPACT

- deliver on increased health literacy and health promotion, capacity building and networking contributing to the optimisation of healthcare activities and practices, by providing feedback from and facilitating communication with patients.
- demonstrate in their proposals the Union added value of their activities
- commit to deliver concrete results such as: online materials, webpages, manuals and tools on case studies promoting health in schools, factsheets and relevant literature, materials for teachers on health literacy, and assistance and promotion of twinning with other European schools; capacity-building and training activities to reduce the impact of risk factors for non-communicable diseases; new approaches to promote healthy and sustainable diets; expert guidance and peer-to-peer connections; and collaborate in shared areas of activity
- contribute to the implementation of non-legislative policy initiatives and/or the implementation of relevant Union health legislation (some activities)
- facilitate the exchange of knowledge, capacity building related to their expertise and should cooperate with other civil society organisations and international organisations (e.g. WHO and other organisations).

### Eligibility and award criteria

(for all details see call text)

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### Eligibility

- **Only last two years** - the proofs necessary to assess eligibility (not-for-profit; independence of industry, commercial and business; public health area;

### Exceptional utility

- **At least 30 % of the budget** of the operating grants is **allocated to activities in (one or more) Member States** whose **Gross Net Income** per inhabitant is **less than 90% of the EU average**



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### INDICATIVE TIMETABLE, BUDGET, IMPLEMENTATION AND PROCEDURE TYPE

<b>Call topic/sub-topic</b>	<b>Estimated call publication</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Operating grants – DP-g-23-34	Q1/2023	EUR 9 000 000
<b>Procedure type</b>	<b>Implemented by</b>	<b>Type of applicants targeted</b>
Open call for proposals	HaDEA	NGOs active in the public health area

# Thank you

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