



EU4Health Programme

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

*InfoDay Framework Partnership Agreement for operating grants (2025-2026)
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Regulation (EU) 2021/522 – EU4Health Programme

- Regulation (EU) 2021/522 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 March 2021 establishing a Programme for the Union’s action in the field of health (‘EU4Health Programme’) for the period 2021-2027, and repealing Regulation (EU) No 282/2014



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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 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



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 2024 Work Programme

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European Health Union: EU4Health Work Programme 2024

The work programme 2024¹ will contribute towards further development of a European Health Union.
It will particularly address:

- ▶ Europe's Beating Cancer Plan
- ▶ Cross-border health threats
- ▶ Health-related urgencies due to Russia's war against Ukraine
- ▶ Digital health transition
- ▶ Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe
- ▶ Health promotion and disease prevention including mental health
- ▶ Health systems and healthcare workforce
- ▶ Global Health and international initiatives

EUR 281.6million dedicated to major actions supporting SANTE key priorities

FUNDING	2024 Budget (in million EUR)
Direct management	677.7
of which grants	355.9
of which procurement	318.4
of which for other expenditure	3.4
Indirect management (contribution agreements)	74.7
TOTAL	752.4²⁰

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EU4Health 2024 Work Programme

STRANDS AND AREAS OF ACTION	2024 budget (in EUR)
1. CRISIS PREPAREDNESS (CP)	485 517 000
HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE AUTHORITY (HERA)	470 817 000
TACKLING ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE ²¹	1 600 000
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REGULATION ON SERIOUS CROSS BORDER THREATS TO HEALTH	12 600 000
STERILE INSECT TECHNIQUE AS A TOOL TO ELLIMINATE THE YELLOW FEVER MOSQUITO (AEDES AEGYPTI ON CYPRUS)	500 000
2. HEALTH PROMOTION AND DISEASE PREVENTION (DP)	70 900 000
TOBACCO CONTROL POLICY	2 500 000
NON-COMMUNICABLE AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASES ²²	45 000 000
MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES ²³	10 000 000
EUROPEAN ENVIRONMENT AGENCY	400 000
EU4HEALTH NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS	2 000 000
SUPPORTING LONG-COVID PATIENTS: INSIGHTS AND ACTION	2 000 000
4. HEALTH SYSTEMS AND HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE (HS)	41 404 000
REFORMING AND STRENGTHENING HEALTH SYSTEMS ²⁵	2 000 000
PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HEALTH TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT REGULATION	650 000
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PHARMACEUTICAL LEGISLATION AND STRATEGY ²⁶	8 516 000
STRENGTHENING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LEGISLATION ON BLOOD, TISSUES AND CELLS AND ORGANS ²⁷	15 278 000
CROSS BORDER HEALTHCARE	200 000
IMPLEMENTATION OF REGULATIONS ON MEDICAL DEVICES AND IN VITRO DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL DEVICES	13 950 000
HEALTH POLICY TRAINING	810 000

3. CANCER (CR)	117 600 000
STRENGTHENING DIGITAL CAPABILITIES	20 000 000
PERSONALISED CANCER MEDICINE ²⁴	30 900 000
PAEDIATRIC PALLIATIVE CARE	14 500 000
INTEGRATION OF CANCER IMAGES INTO THE FEDERATED PAN-EUROPEAN INFRASTRUCTURE TO FOSTER SCREENING PROGRAMMES	8 000 000
EUROPEAN GUIDELINES AND QUALITY ASSURANCE SCHEME FOR GASTRIC CANCER SCREENING AND CARE	6 500 000
HEALTH LITERACY FOR CANCER PREVENTION AND CARE.	5 000 000
CANCER REGISTRY DATA FEEDING INTO THE EUROPEAN CANCER INFORMATION SYSTEM	13 000 000
RADIATION SAFETY AND QUALITY OF COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY IMAGING OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS	3 000 000
PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT AND REHABILITATION FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES IN PAEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY CLINICS IN MEMBER STATES AND COUNTRIES ASSOCIATED TO THE EU4HEALTH PROGRAMME	7 400 000
EU NETWORK OF YOUTH CANCER SURVIVORS	5 000 000
PROVISION OF CARE FOR ADOLESCENT AND YOUNG ADULT CANCER PATIENTS	1 000 000
SUPPORT FOR THE SUBGROUP ON CANCER UNDER THE EXPERT GROUP ON PUBLIC HEALTH	500 000
BOOSTING CANCER PREVENTION THROUGH MAINTENANCE OF THE EU CANCER APP.	1 800 000
SUPPORT SETTING UP NEW NETWORKS OF EXPERTISE ON CANCER AND CANCER CONDITIONS	1 000 000

5. DIGITAL (DI)	25 750 000
COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION ACTIVITIES FOR THE PROPOSED EUROPEAN HEALTH DATA SPACE	1 600 000
PRIMARY USES OF HEALTH DATA IN THE PROPOSED EUROPEAN HEALTH DATA SPACE	11 500 000
SECONDARY USES OF HEALTH DATA IN THE PROPOSED EUROPEAN HEALTH DATA SPACE	2 650 000
COMPLIANCE CHECKS FOR EHDS INFRASTRUCTURES	1 500 000
PROMOTING AND DEVELOPING DIGITAL SOLUTIONS AT INTERNATIONAL LEVEL	4 000 000
PROMOTING THE UPTAKE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN HEALTH	4 500 000
6. OTHER ACTIONS	11 278 856
CONFERENCE – PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPEAN UNION	200 000
ORGANISATION OF CONFERENCE AND EVENTS	450 000
SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES	710 000
HEALTH POLICY PLATFORM	500 000
COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES	3 370 500
STUDIES	708 356
TRANSLATION SERVICES	120 000
IT RECURRENT ACTIVITIES	4 150 000
JOINT AUDIT ASSESSMENT ²⁸	170 000
EUROPEAN HEALTH AND DIGITAL EXECUTIVE AGENCY (HaDEA) EXPERT EVALUATORS	400 000
HERA IMPACT ASSESSMENTS	500 000

2024 work programme – adopted 5 December 2022 !

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POLICY PRIORITIES	KEY INITIATIVES	INDICATIVE BUDGET 2024 (MILLION EUR)
Europe's Beating Cancer Plan	Strengthening digital capabilities; Personalised cancer medicines; Cancer registry data for the European cancer information system; Integration of cancer images into federated pan-European infrastructure	117,6
EU's resilience to cross-border threats to health	Implementation of the regulation on serious cross-border threats to health – support to functioning of EU Reference Laboratories (EURLs); Tackling antimicrobial resistance; Sterile insect technique as a tool to eliminate the yellow fever mosquito (<i>Aedes aegypti</i>) in Cyprus	14,7
European Health Data Space	Support for primary and secondary use of health data; Promoting and developing digital solutions at international level; Promoting the uptake of Artificial Intelligence in health	25,7
Health promotion and disease prevention	Non-communicable and communicable diseases; Addressing mental health challenges for vulnerable groups including displaced people from Ukraine; Tobacco control policy; Supporting long-COVID patients	70,9
Pharmaceutical Strategy for Europe, implementation of health legislations, and health systems and healthcare	Pharmaceutical legislation and Strategy, Regulatory flexibilities to mitigate certain medicines shortages; Blood, tissues and cells and organs; Cross-border healthcare; Medical devices, and in-vitro diagnostic medical devices; Health technology assessment	41,4
Global Health and international initiatives	Digital solutions at international level; Repository of Global health Union actions	4,3
Other	Recurrent, horizontal, IT and communication activities	7

DP-g-24-33.1 Open Call for proposals for a Framework Partnership Agreement for operating grants (2025 – 2026) to nongovernmental organisations: financial contribution to the functioning of health nongovernmental bodies implementing one or more specific objectives of Regulation (EU) 2021/522

- **Framework partnerships (FPAs)** are long-term cooperation instruments that serve as umbrella for regular or recurrent grants in the same field or area and under a common action plan (or work programme of activities). They are a prerequisite for being able to apply for these grants, but don't create any legitimate expectations or entitlement to get them. FPA beneficiaries are normally identified on the basis of a standard evaluation and award procedure and then invited to submit their proposals for grants (closed calls; addressed directly to the framework partners). Grant agreements (SGAs) can only be signed if the FPA has been signed, and before the end date of the FPA.
- *(Please see call text page 3)*

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POLICY CONTEXT

‘NGOs’ expertise and contribution are expected to be of added value in relation to NCDs, in particular on cancer, addressing important health determinants including the harmful exposure to second-hand smoke and aerosol, ageing society, vulnerable groups and rare diseases. Poor nutrition, physical inactivity, obesity, tobacco use and harmful use of alcohol (which are risk factors common to other chronic diseases, such as cardiovascular diseases) may also require attention.’

‘There is also a need to promote activities, which address and prevent the collateral impact of health crises on people belonging to such vulnerable groups and actions that improve mental health.’

‘The operating grants linked to a specified timeframe and specific outputs or results are intended to provide support to health NGOs that pursue one or more of the general objectives (Article 3, (a) to (d), of Regulation (EU) 2021/522) and through the specific objectives defined in Article 4, points (a) to (j), of Regulation (EU) 2021/522.’

(Full text in call pages 4 and 5)

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OBJECTIVES, SCOPE AND ACTIVITIES

The objective is to launch a Framework Partnership Agreement with eligible NGOs in view of potentially providing funding for their functioning during 2025 and 2026

Provide overview of the activities you are planning for the years covered by the EU framework partnership and how they will be implemented. **Activities including:**

‘Through their core operational activities, the health NGOs will deliver on increased health literacy and health promotion, capacity building and networking; and contribute to the optimisation of healthcare activities and practices by providing feedback from patients and facilitating communication with patients.’

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EXPECTED RESULTS AND IMPACT

The beneficiaries are expected to further demonstrate in their proposals the Union added value of their activities and 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 schools in the Union 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.

Some of the beneficiaries' activities are expected to contribute to the implementation of non-legislative policy initiatives and/or the implementation of relevant Union health legislation. Such activities will support the implementation of the revised Council Recommendation on Smoke-free environments and key actions in this context.

The beneficiaries will facilitate the exchange of knowledge, capacity building related to their expertise and should cooperate with other civil society organisations and international organisations (e.g., the WHO and other organisations).

Eligibility

For all details see call text section 6 and follow HaDEA detailed presentation.

Thank you

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