

Call for proposals Action grants on 'Healthier Together' EU NCD initiative – Chronic Respiratory Diseases

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- 8% of all deaths in the EU and 3% of all deaths are caused by chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- Mortality rates vary not only across EU countries, but also within countries
- Genetics, tobacco smoking, chronic exposure to air pollutants (in particular fine particulate matter) and airway allergens, occupational chemicals and dust, and frequent lower respiratory infections during childhood are the major causes of CRDs.





'Healthier Together' EU NCDs Initiative

Strand: Chronic Respiratory Diseases

- Implement actions to increase efforts in the prevention and management of chronic respiratory diseases
- Possible priority areas

Objectives of action:

Complement activities of Joint Action DP-g-23-31-01 'Healthier Together' EU NCD Initiative – Chronic Respiratory Diseases" to help reduce the burden of chronic respiratory diseases in the EU.

Table 2.5.1. Priority areas indicated by EU countries

Chronic respiratory diseases	Number of EU countries that endorse the priority areas
Improved care and management of chronic respiratory diseases to prevent exacerbation and acute events	7
Prevention of onset and progress of chronic respiratory diseases	6
Awareness raising among the general population and professionals	1
Early detection of chronic respiratory diseases	1
Ensuring (access to) high-quality chronic respiratory disease care and self-management support	1

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Activities



Prevention and management of chronic respiratory diseases (CRD) & risk factors

- Implementation of public health policies
- Development and transfer of best practices
- Development of public health guidelines
- Preparation and roll-out of innovative approaches
- Projects supporting patient pathways
- Projects supporting Member States (Zero Pollution Action Plan, Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability, Europe's Beating Cancer Plan)

Consortium: minimum 3 entities from 3 different eligible countries

Academia and educational institutions, civil society organisations supporting the priority areas (health professional associations, patient organisations, foundations, NGOs and similar entities).



Budget €1 million



Mandatory deliverables (at least one of following):

- Needs assessment and gap analysis in prevention of CRD (e.g COPD)
- Best and promising practices, and innovative approaches on preventing & managing CRD & risk factors (e.g. smoking, infectious diseases)
- Supporting patient pathways (vulnerable groups)
- Public health guidelines for use by specific professionals
- Recommendations on early detection of CRDs in healthcare sector
- Development of guidelines and recommendations for actions, policies and programmes
- Development and implementation of complementary awareness-raising activities on CRDs and related risk factors (vulnerable groups)
- Development of training programmes for health professionals and key stakeholders



Proposal must include:



- Measures to reduce health inequalities
- Vulnerable groups (migrants/refugees, people living under war conditions, disadvantaged children and women, LGBTQI, Roma, people with disabilities etc.)

Expected results:



- Initiatives to complement Member States' efforts
- Best practices, public health guidelines, patient pathways, new policy approaches, pilot testing of innovative approaches, training, health awareness and health literacy.

Expected impact:

Support Member States to reduce burden of NCDs, in particular CRD and to reach SDGs, in particular Goal 3, target 3.4





Call for proposals Action grants on 'Healthier Together' EU NCD initiative – Mental Health

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'Healthier Together' EU NCDs Initiative

Strand: Mental Health

- Implement actions to promote mental health and well-being, prevent and tackle mental health problems and support people living with mental health problems
- Possible priority areas

Objectives of action:

Complement activities of Joint Action DP-g-23-32-01 'Healthier Together' EU NCD Initiative – Mental Health" to help reduce the burden of mental health problems and improve mental health in the EU.



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1 in 6 people

Number of people in the EU suffering from mental health issues prior to the COVID-19 pandemic

1 in 4 workers

Experience work-related stress in the EU

EUR 1.23 billion

funding from different financial instruments

EUR 600 billion

The cost of doing nothing to tackle the EU's mental health crisis





Chapters

- Mental health across policies
- > Promotion, prevention and early detection
- Children and young people
- > Helping those most in need
- Risks at work
- > Reforming mental health systems and improving access
- Breaking through stigma
- Fostering mental health globally

3 guiding principles:

- Access to adequate and effective prevention
- High quality affordable treatment and care
- Reintegration into society after recovery

A comprehensive approach to mental health (europa.eu)

- √ 20 Flagships
- ✓ €1.23 billion in funding opportunities



Activities



Promotion of mental health and prevention and management of mental health problems

- Implementation of public health policies related to mental health
- Development and transfer of best practices
- Development of public health guidelines
- Preparation and roll-out of innovative approaches
- Projects supporting patient pathways
- Targeted projects to support vulnerable groups (migrants, refugees, Roma people, displaced people from Ukraine)

Consortium: minimum 3 entities from 3 different eligible countries; at least one NGO & one patient organisation working in area of mental health.

Academia and educational institutions, civil society organisations supporting the priority areas (health professional associations, patient organisations, foundations, NGOs and similar entities)



Budget €2.36 million



Support flagships and actions in the Commission Communication on a comprehensive approach to mental health

- 1. Implementation of best and promising practices and approaches to promote good mental health and prevent problems.
- 2. Coordinated approach mental health across policies
- Mental health literacy, awareness-raising and early detection in settings (e.g schools, migrants/refugee centres and prisons)
- 4. Improving access to interventions to manage mental health problems (improving community-based care and social prescribing)
- 5. Improve quality of life of patients and families breaking through stigma.

Horizontal: reducing health inequalities in mental health within vulnerable groups

- ✓ Support for a comprehensive and prevention-oriented approach to mental health
- Address vulnerable and socioeconomically disadvantaged groups
- Determinants and risk factors for mental health



Mandatory deliverables (at least one of following):

- Best and promising practices on a comprehensive approach to mental health for vulnerable populations
- Public health guidelines for use by specific professionals working with vulnerable groups
- Innovative approaches to prevent & manage problems in community settings
- Development of guidelines and recommendations for actions, policies and programmes – vulnerable groups – e.g. suicide prevention programmes
- "Lived experience" code of good practice mental health policies
- Awareness-raising activities breaking down stigma on mental health
- Methodology for integration of mental health in relevant policies



Expected results:



- Initiatives to complement Member States' efforts
- Best practices, public health guidelines, supporting patient pathways, new policy approaches, pilot testing of innovative approaches, training, health awareness and health literacy.

Build on past & ongoing initiatives e.g JA ImpleMENTAL, best practice to prevent depression (EEAD), Icehearts Europe, Let's Talk about Children

Expected impact:

Support Member States to reduce burden of NCDs related to mental health problems and to reach SDGs, in particular Goal 3, target 3.4





Joint Action: 'Healthier Together' EU NCD initiative – Dementia and other neurological disorders

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- Major non-communicable neurological disorders are Alzheimer's disease, which is the main cause of dementia, and other forms of dementia, cerebrovascular diseases (stroke, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis, epilepsy..)
- Neurological disorders are the leading cause of disease burden in terms of Disability-Adjusted Life Years (DALYs) and second leading cause of deaths.





'Healthier Together' EU NCDs Initiative

Strand: Neurological disorders

Possible priority areas

- Implement national plans for stroke
- Change attitudes towards dementia and tackle stigma
- Prevention and early detection of neurological diseases in particular Alzheimer's disease and dementia
- Implement person-centred integrated care models; support quality of life

Objectives of action:

Complement activities of Joint Action DP-g-23-33-01 'Healthier Together' EU NCD Initiative – dementia and neurological disorders" to help reduce the burden of dementia and other neurological disorders in the EU.

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Activities



Prevention and care of dementia and other neurological disorders

- Implementation of public health policies
- Development and transfer of best practices
- Development of public health guidelines
- Preparation and roll-out of innovative approaches
- Projects supporting patient pathways
- Projects targeting the prevention or care of dementia/neurological disorders

Consortium: minimum 3 entities from 3 different eligible countries

Academia and educational institutions, civil society organisations supporting the priority areas (health professional associations, patient organisations, foundations, NGOs and similar entities).



Budget €1 million



Mandatory deliverables (at least one of following):

- Needs assessment and gap analysis in prevention of dementia & other neurological disorders (e.g stroke, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis, epilepsy)
- Best and promising practices, and innovative approaches on preventing & managing dementia & other neurological disorders & risk factors (e.g. smoking, poor diet)
- Public health guidelines or recommendations on improved monitoring and screening (community and/or primary care)
- Development of guidelines and recommendations to better manage dementia & other neurological disorders (person-centred integrated care)
- Guidelines and recommendations for actions, policies and programmes
- Development and implementation of complementary awareness-raising activities on dementia & other neurological disorders – vulnerable groups



Proposal must include:



- Measures to reduce health inequalities
- Vulnerable groups (migrants/refugees, people living under war conditions, disadvantaged children and women, LGBTQI, Roma, people with disabilities etc.)

Expected results:



- Initiatives to complement Member States' efforts
- Best practices, public health guidelines, patient pathways, new policy approaches, pilot testing of innovative approaches, training, health awareness and health literacy.

Expected impact:

Support Member States to reduce burden of NCDs, in particular dementia & other neurological disorders, and to reach SDGs, in particular Goal 3, target 3.4



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