



# Calls for proposals

Action grant to support structured dialogue at national or regional level on public procurement in the health sector

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# Background info

- Covid-19 indicated weaknesses in supply chains in health sector across the EU;
- Public procurement is an important part of such supply chain;
- The call will target the vulnerabilities in the procurement systems of the Member States' health sector, by:
  - thorough assessment of such systems;
  - Coming up with the best practices, leading to improved or new - more resilient to crises - procurement systems.

# Policy context of the call

- Financed under EU4Health Work Programme for 2022, adopted as Regulation 2021/522 (EU) of the EP and of the Council, with the total budget of EUR 850 million;
- Under Art. (3) (b) of the Regulation, one general purpose of the Programme is */.../ protecting people in the Union from serious cross-border threats to health and strengthening the responsiveness of health systems and coordination among the Member States in order to cope with serious cross-border threats to health; /../*
- The call is a *Crisis Preparedness* Action:
  - Managed by European Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Authority (HERA – established at 16/06/2021);
  - Implemented by Health and Digital Executive Agency (HaDEA).

# Activities to be funded and Mandatory deliverables

- Mapping of the public procurement environment in the health sector in the Member States
- Listing of relevant thematic topics to organise the work
- Organisation of brainstorming sessions, dialogues or additional work arrangement on the different thematic topics
- New strategies for public procurement in health sector tailored to the needs of the Member State or region concerned as well as an implementation plan
- Dissemination of the results of the project in a final conference with a European dimension

# Activities to be funded

The proposed action supports Member States in organising a thorough assessment of public procurement in the health sector at national and/or regional level by way of collective intelligence.



- ✓ Identification of the relevant stakeholders at national/regional level
- ✓ The assessment will be organised in working themes that will facilitate exchanges and will collect and analyse the information and data provided.
- ✓ Working sessions and conferences will be organised in Member States that require this support in the preparation of the national or regional procurement strategy.
- ✓ A European conference will be organised in order to inform Member States on the recommendations provided, including on good practices and will encourage further exchange of experience.

# Expected impacts

- The action is expected to result in the development of **new or improved national and regional strategies on public procurement** that will make current practices more resilient and efficient all over the Union.
- This will increase preparedness for future health crises.
- The involvement of Member States at national, regional and/or local level as well as of all relevant stakeholders by using collective intelligence methods will also **increase coordination and more and better cooperation for the future**

# Thank you

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