

# **Europe's Beating Cancer Plan**



Start date - end date 01/09/2023 - 31/08/2026

#### **Countries**

EU member states Plus a selected group of EEA countries and others in Europe

# Overall budget

EUR 1 800 000

### **EU** contribution under **EU4Health programme** EUR 1 080 000



# EUCervScreen QA - European Cervical Screening Quality Assurance Update



The EUCervScreen QA project will update the European guidelines and develop the European quality assurance scheme for cervical cancer prevention.

The European guidelines for Quality Assurance (QA) in cervical screening need to be updated to reflect changes in international guidelines, advancements in cervical cancer prevention methods, the widespread implementation of HPV vaccination, and improved methodologies for developing such guidelines. This project aims to create new, user-friendly technical guidelines and recommendations. For the first time, the guidelines will be developed in parallel to a relevant QA scheme along with QA manuals and tools to help European countries implement and monitor the use of these guidelines.

#### The project aims to:



- 1. Update the European clinical practice guidelines covering cervical cancer prevention from HPV vaccination, cervical screening, diagnosis, and treatment of precancerous lesions
- 2. Develop a European quality assurance (QA) scheme for the entire cancer care pathway, including rehabilitation, palliative care and surveillance.



#### **Deliverables**



The project will support European countries to achieve the European Union's Beating Cancer Plan target that 90% of the qualifying population are offered cervical screening by 2025, and that 90% of girls (and boys) receive the HPV vaccination before 2030. Over the longer term, we aim to address the existing inequalities in the distribution of cervical cancer in Europe. Specifically, we aim to assist in reducing inequalities in age standardised incidence rates, which range from 6.8 per 100,000 women in Western Europe, to 16 per 100,000 women in Central and Eastern Europe.

#### For more info

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## **Project website**

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Europe's Beating Cancer Plan makes use of the whole range of Commission funding instruments with a total of €4 billion being earmarked for actions addressing cancer. €1.25 billion from the EU4Health programme is being used to support actions and initiatives outlined in the Cancer Plan.

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