



**EUROPEAN COMMISSION**  
HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

Health systems, medical products and innovation  
**Cross border healthcare and Tobacco Control**

## **CROSS-BORDER HEALTHCARE EXPERT GROUP MEETING**

**17 OCTOBER 2019, 10:00-17:00**

**Venue: Centre Conference Albert Borschette  
Rue Froissart 36, 1049 Brussels**

**Room: 4D**

**CHAIR: MR ANDRZEJ RYS (EC DIRECTOR)**

**MS THEA EMMERLING (EC HEAD OF UNIT)**

### **AGENDA**

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

- Present and discuss the European Court of Auditors' "Special Report No 7/2019 on EU actions for cross-border healthcare"<sup>1</sup>
- Feedback on compliance with the Cross-Border Healthcare Directive 2011/24/EU
- Feed forward on EU actions to support better implementation of the Cross-Border Healthcare Directive 2011/24/EU and identify areas for further cooperation;
- Present and discuss the results of the 2018 patient mobility data and agree improvements for 2019 questionnaire;
- Discuss the Single Digital Gateway Regulation<sup>2</sup>, the results of the survey to the NCPs and implications thereof;
- "Healthcare in cross-border regions": Update on European initiatives.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ C 192, 07.06.2019, p. 29.

<sup>2</sup> Regulation (EU) 2018/1724 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 2 October 2018 establishing a single digital gateway to provide access to information, to procedures and to assistance and problem-solving services (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 1–38)

**1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

**2. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DIRECTIVE 2011/24/EU**

**2.1. Present and discuss the European Court of Auditors' "Special Report No 7/2019 on EU actions for cross-border healthcare"**

Presentation by the European Court of Auditors and exchange of views

**2.2. Actions to be taken to implement the European Court of Auditors' recommendations**

*2.2.1. Debrief on the Commission's draft Action Plan, by DG SANTE, European Commission*

- Information to patients;
- European Reference Networks for rare, low-prevalence and complex diseases;
- Digital health.

*2.2.2. Actions to be taken by Member States: Exchange of views*

**2.3. Draft Council Conclusions on the ECA Special Report**

Report by Pasi Mustonen, Chair of Public Health Working Party, FI Presidency

**2.4. Draft Council Conclusions on the ECA Special Report by the FI Presidency TBC**

**2.5. State of play of compliance check**

Presentation by Balazs Lengyel DG SANTE, European Commission

Exchange of views

**3. PATIENTS' MOBILITY IN THE EU – DATA COLLECTION**

Presentation on the 2018 data collection exercise by Health Connect Partners - Isabelle Andoulsi

Background document: "Member State Data on cross-border patient healthcare following Directive 2011/24/EU, Year 2018"

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| <b>LUNCH BREAK (13:00-14:00)</b> |
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**4. COMMISSION MACHINE TRANSLATION OF DOCUMENTS**

Presentation by Daniel Prou, Business Manager, DG Translation, European Commission

**5. TOWARDS BETTER IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CROSS-BORDER HEALTHCARE DIRECTIVE**

Introduction by the Commission and exchange of views on the implementation of the Directive (Tour de Table and Brainstorming)

Background document will be circulated before the meeting

**6. SINGLE DIGITAL GATEWAY: NEXT STEPS FOR NCPS**

Presentation by Hans Dietrich Druener, DG GROW (Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs), European Commission

**7. REGIONAL COOPERATION ON CROSS-BORDER HEALTHCARE**

- Update on the “Outlook opinion” carried out by Dorota Tomalak (European Committee of the Regions);
- Update on the Thematic Network on "Healthcare in cross-border regions" under DG SANTE Health Policy Platform - Presentation by Valentina Polylas, European Regional & Local Health Authorities (EUREGHA).

Presentations and exchange of views

**8. AOB**

**9. CLOSE OF MEETING**