Information on highly specialised providers, centres of expertise (reference) , National networks and European Reference Networks:

Name of the Country	Denmark		
Free text (voluntary)	Specialty planning concerns planning of hospital services, including the distribution of care between different levels of specialization. The aim of specialty planning is to ensure high quality in care, coordinated patient pathways and the best possible use of resources.		
	Speciality planning also promotes the necessary creation and maintenance of expertise, research and development and training for the continued maintenance and development of health care services.		
	Speciality planning is regulated in the national health act. According to the law the Danish Health and Medicines Authority decides upon the criteria for specialised care and locations for the provision of specialised care in both public and private hospitals.		
	The criteria for specialized care are complexity, rarity (practice makes perfect), and resources.		
	An Advisory Committee on Specialty planning consisting of administrative and medical representatives has been established and gives advice the Danish Health and Medicines Authority prior to decision making.		
	The Danish Health and Medicines Authority has established requirements to those hospitals who handle specialised functions,, and can withdraw authorization if the specified requirements are not met.		
	In addition, the Danish Health and Medicines Authority establishes detailed rules for the referral of patients to treatment in wards with specialised functions		
Title / content of the information provided in the link (1)	National planning for specialised treatment in Denmark		
Link (s) (1):	http://sundhedsstyrelsen.dk/da/sundhed/planlaegning-og- beredskab/specialeplanlaegning		