Workshop on raising awareness of patients’ rights to cross-border healthcare

Date: Monday 17th June 2024 Time: 09.00 am – 03.15pm
Venue: Royal Marine Hotel, Dún Laoghaire, Dublin.
Registration link: https://eu.eventscloud.com/cbhc-dublin

Agenda

8.30 – 9.00 am | Welcome coffee

09.00 – 09.10 am | Opening address by Tánaiste Micheál Martin (Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister for Defence)

09.10 – 09.25 am | Welcome address by Sandra Gallina (Director-General – Directorate-General Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE), European Commission) and Nichola Larkins (DG SANTE - European Commission)

09.25 – 09.35 am | Address by Bernard Gloster (CEO, Health Service Executive)

09.35 – 09.45 am | Patients’ rights in cross-border healthcare
Natalia Zampieri (DG SANTE - European Commission)

09.45 – 10.15 am | Cross-Border Directive in Ireland
Catherine Donohoe (National Contact Point, Ireland)

10.15 – 10.25 am | Cross-Border Directive Website
Ben Cloney (Head of Digital, Health Service Executive)

10.25 – 11.00 am | Tea/Coffee break

11.00 – 11.10 am | Improving Access to Treatment Abroad
Ger Deering (Ombudsman, Office of the Ombudsman)

11.10 – 11.20 am | Implementation of Ombudsman Report
Frances McNamara (Assistant National Director, National Schemes and Reimbursement, Health Service Executive)
11.20 – 11.35 am  The establishment of PDFORRA Medical Assistance Scheme (PMAS) using the Directive to access healthcare for its members  
*Damien Quigley (PMAS)*

11.35 – 11.45 am  My Journey Through Cross Border Directive  
*Michael MacAogain*

11.45 – 12.00 pm  Cross Border Healthcare Directive - GP perspective  
*Eamonn Shanahan (President, Irish College of General Practitioners)*

12.00 – 12.45 pm  Panel discussion on the Directive - Cross border health care legislation: advantages, challenges, and possible improvements  
*Panel: Eamonn Shanahan, Damien Quigley, Catherine Donohoe, Natalia Zampieri, Michael MacAogain.*

12.45 – 02.00 pm – Lunch Break

02.00 – 02.10 pm  The European Reference Networks in the European Union  
*Nichola Larkins (DG SANTE – European Commission)*

02.10 – 02.25 pm  The European Reference Networks – Raising the bar for patients’ with rare diseases and their healthcare providers across Europe  
*Dr James Clark*

02.25 – 02.35 pm  Cross Border Healthcare Directive & living with a rare disease in Ireland  
*Vicky McGrath (CEO of Rare Diseases Ireland)*

02.35 – 03.00 pm  Panel discussion on the European Reference Networks for rare diseases: advantages & challenges  
*Vicky McGrath, Catherine Donohoe, Dr. James Clark, Rare Disease Office Representative, Nichola Larkins, Natalia Zampieri*

03.00 – 03.15 pm  Closing remarks by Nichola Larkins (DG SANTE - European Commission)

* Mr. Tommie Gorman, who is a former journalist, was the first patient in Ireland to access healthcare under the Regulation and who has been promoting the Cross-Border Healthcare Directive will be the moderator for the event.

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