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Health Information

Health Indicators background
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ECHI Evaluation Main Findings

- ECHI assisted in structuring the National Health Information systems
- Favours the creation of legal frameworks for health indicators collections
- Results; European countries have envisaged a system to regularly collect health indicator datasets
- Strengthens the potential for countries to setup strategic health policies i.e. for Health System Performance Assessment

ECHI Evaluation Main Findings

High awareness of ECHI indicators:

- Health Information Services
- Public Health Institutes
- Statistical Offices

Low awareness of ECHI indicators:

- Planning and monitoring of policy personnel
- Policy Evaluators
- Assessment of Healthcare Services personnel

ECHI Evaluation Main Findings

Use of individual indicators depends on:

- Awareness
- Availability of data
- Sustainability of data
- Sustainability in policies

Use of the ECHI in general depends on:

- Competition with other sources
- Time series availability
- Insufficient frequency
- Lack of data breakdowns

ECHI Evaluation Main Findings

General consensus on having a system of European indicators like ECHI in place

- Establish a permanent health indicator system
- Clear institutional and legal framework
- Joint involvement of and synergy with international organizations
- Capitalize on results achieved
- Embed the indicators into a permanent, institutional mechanism
- Legal status of Health Indicators
- Enhanced coordination and synergy with work of OECD and WHO

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Main points from survey

- EGHI should be the central expert group, a discussion platform for Member States in the attempt to avoid duplication of work in the field of health
- For EGHI members an authority to voice the official position of respective Member State is crucial
- EGHI should focus on health information rather than on data
- EGHI should be a central expert group for discussions on Health Information for DG SANTE and other European Commission services

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Main points from survey

- EGHI should be a central expert group for exchange of information with international organisations on Health Information, particularly on harmonisation of data collections
- EGHI should be used as a key advisor structure for development and updating of the ECHI indicators
- EGHI should be the advisory body of a potential ERIC on Health Information



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Thank you

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