



# **Update on recent developments in health (DG EMPL)**

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## DG EMPL activities on health

- ❑ *Health care data provide a sound evidence-base for policy making:*
  - in the EU economic policy governance process DG EMPL is contributing to the assessment and multilateral surveillance review in the **European Semester**.
  - in the **social Open Method of Co-ordination** to monitor progress on the agreed common objectives in ensuring access for all to high-quality services in sustainable health and long-term care systems.
  - **European Pillar of Social Rights**.

## Health CSRs in 2016

- *The following 13 countries **received Health Country Specific Recommendations (CSRs)** in 2016: BG, CZ, IE, IT, CY, LV, LT, AT, PT, RO, SI, SK, FI.*
- *In comparison to year 2015 health CSRs moved up from 11 to 13 in 2016.*
  - *7 health CSRs (AT, CZ, IE, PT, SI, SK, FI) were (more) related to fiscal sustainability issues, 5 (BG, CY, LV, LT, RO) are related to accessibility, quality and cost-effectiveness, 1 (IT) refers to competition.*

# European Semester 2017

## ***Health in AGS 2017:***

*Health policies should support and reinforce social safety nets and active inclusion strategies, through preventive, but also curative and rehabilitation policies. Member States therefore need to continue to reform their health systems, thus **ensuring universal access to cost effective public health and healthcare services**. Protecting the population from falling into poverty or social exclusion due to ill-health and related expenditure is essential, both from a social and economic view-point.*

# Joint Assessment Framework on Health (JAF Health)

- ❑ *A tool for a high-level screening of health policies developed by the Indicators Sub-Group of the Social Protection Committee jointly with the Commission (DG EMPL and Eurostat).*
- ❑ *Use is made of existing EU health data collections:*
  - *Administrative data collections: health expenditure and non-monetary health data, causes of death statistics;*
  - *Survey-based health data from EHIS and EU-SILC.*

# Recent developments in JAF Health

- ❑ *ISG decided on the inclusion of **3-year time changes** analysis for the agreed indicators in all JAF Health domains;*
- ❑ *A set of **additional indicators** has been adopted for used in JAF Health.*
- ❑ ***Further developments** to be continued early next year.*

# Statistical sources for the new JAF Health indicators

- ❑ **EU SILC** – *Percentage of the population with bad and very bad self-perceived health*
- ❑ **EHIS** – *Self-reported 12-month depression symptoms; fruit and vegetable consumption, physical activity and risky single occasion drinking*
- ❑ **COD** – *Number of deaths due to self-harm/suicide*
- ❑ **JQ non-monetary** – *Number of doctor's consultations*

# European Pillar of Social Rights

- ❑ *Public consultation until the end of 2016*
- ❑ *Presentation of the results of the public consultation in a conference on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017*



**Thank you!**