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

CROSS-BORDER HEALTHCARE EXPERT GROUP MEETING

SUBGROUP OF NATIONAL CONTACT POINTS 21 MAY 2019, 10:00 - 16:30 Venue: Centre Conference Albert Borschette

Rue Froissart 36, 1049 Brussels

Room: 3A, CCAB

CHAIR:

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AGENDA

Objectives:

- Exchange views on the Commission's 2018 report on the operation of Directive 2011/24/EU on the application of patients' rights in cross-border healthcare and share experiences on the provision of information to patients;
- Discuss the outcomes of the European Parliament report of February 2019 and of the Informal Health Council in April with regard to the provision of information to patients and next steps for improvement;
- Discuss the results of the 2017 data collection, lessons learned and launch the 2018 exercise;

- Discuss the Single Digital Gateway Regulation, its implications for NCPs including the survey to prepare for the Single Digital Gateway's launch in 2020;
- Provide information on the thematic network on "Healthcare in cross-border regions" under the EU Health Policy Platform and other relevant cross-border healthcare initiatives in the EU.

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

2. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DIRECTIVE 2011/24/EU

2.1. The 2018 Implementation Report on the operation of Directive 2011/24/EU on the application of patients' rights in cross-border healthcare¹

Presentation by Corina Vasilescu, DG SANTE, European Commission

2.2. Debrief on the European Parliament Report²

Presentation by Caroline Hager, DG SANTE, European Commission

2.3. Update from the Presidency on the Informal Health Council on 14-15 April 2019

Feedback from the Romanian Presidency on the Health Ministers' exchange of views on "Patient Mobility – Directive 2011/24/EU: taking stock on implementation"

Background Paper: "Background to the Informal Meeting of Health Ministers under the Romanian Presidency to the EU Council"

2.4. Exchange of views on the above and ideas for next steps

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LUNCH BREAK (12:30-14:00)

3. OVERVIEW OF THE SINGLE DIGITAL GATEWAY AND IMPLICATIONS FOR NCPS

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

Background Papers: "Survey to gather information from NCPs" and "Information Note on the Single Digital Gateway Regulation"

Q&A

Next Steps

4. PRESENTATION OF THE 2017 DATA COLLECTION FINDINGS AND LAUNCH OF THE 2018 EXERCISE

Presentation by Petra Wilson, Health Connect Partners

¹ Adopted on 21 September 2018, COM(2018) 651 final

http://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/sante/newsletter-specific-archiveissue.cfm?archtype=specific&newsletter_service_id=327&newsletter_issue_id=10813&page=1&fullDate=Fri%2021% 20Sep%202018&lang=default

² The European Parliament's <u>Report on the implementation of the Cross-Border Healthcare Directive</u>, adopted in Plenary on 12 February 2019 (<u>http://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/A-8-2019-0046_EN.html</u>)

Background Paper: "Member State Data on cross-border patient healthcare following Directive 2011/24/EU, Year 2017"³

Exchange of views

Next steps

5. UPDATE ON EUROPEAN REFERENCE NETWORKS AND LINK TO INFORMATION TO CITIZENS

Presentation by Isabelle Dévé, DG SANTE, European Commission

Background Paper: "Key Information on ERNs for NCP websites"

Practical example by Catherine Donohoe, Health Service Executive, Ireland

Exchange of views

6. UPDATE ON THE THEMATIC NETWORK ON "HEALTHCARE IN CROSS-BORDER REGIONS" UNDER THE HEALTH POLICY PLATFORM

Presentation by Valentina Polylas, European Regional & Local Authorities (EUREGHA)

Exchange of views

7. INFORMATION POINTS

7.1. Legal Update

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7.2. Upcoming events of relevance in cross-border healthcare

8. AOB

³ Member State Data on cross-border patient healthcare following Directive 2011/24/EU, Year 2017, available here: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/health/sites/health/files/cross_border_care/docs/2017_msdata_en.pdf</u>