



EQUITY ACTION

TOOLS • REGIONS • KNOWLEDGE • STAKEHOLDERS •

EXPERT WORKING GROUP on HEALTH INEQUALITIES

Overview of the Equity Action Presentation



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Equity Action – Expert Group



- 1) Equity Action is the vehicle for taking forward a number of actions identified under the Commission Communication ‘Solidarity in Health: Reducing Health Inequalities in the EU.’
- 2) It is a collaboration of 15 MS and Norway, with the European Commission to deliver a programme of work which will improve action on health inequalities by:

Actions



- 1) Developing knowledge for action on Health Inequalities
- 2) Develop HIA and audit approaches
- 3) Review the possibilities to assist Member States to make better use of cohesion policy and structural funds
- 4) Develop relevant ways to engage stakeholders at European level to promote effective action.

Partners



Coordinator: UK HEALTH FORUM/ HAPI

Project Partners:

European network

[EuroHealthNet](#)

Belgium

[Public Federal Service Health, Food Chain, Safety and Environment](#)

Czech Republic

[National Institute of Public Health](#)

England

[Department of Health](#)

Finland

[National Institute for Health and Welfare](#)

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Italy

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Italy

[Agenzie Nazionale per i Servizi Sanitari](#)

[Regionali](#)

Latvia

[Centre for Disease Prevention and Control of Latvia](#)

Netherlands

[National Institute for Public Health and the Environment](#)

Norway

[Norwegian Directorate of Health](#)

Poland

[National Institute of Public Health - National](#)

[Institute of Hygiene](#)

Scotland

[The Scottish Executive](#)

Spain

[Directorate General for Public Health and Foreign Health. Ministry of Health and Social Policy](#)

Spain

[La Fundacion Vasca de Innovacion e Investigation Sanitarias](#)

Sweden

[Region Västra Gotaland](#)

Sweden

[Swedish National Institute of Public Health](#)

Wales

[Welsh Government](#)

Collaborating Partner: WHO Venice Office for Health and Investment

How we work



- 1) Partners are Ministry's and national/regional agencies
- 2) We have aimed to support action at Member State and regional level, through a range of practical work.
- 3) Providing analysis of current state of play (e.g. Literature review, expert meeting, interviews - HIA with an equity focus review).
- 4) Training (e.g. for regions).
- 5) Guidance advice (e.g. on undertaking a country level review of the current and potential future opportunities for using structural funds to address health inequalities, or engaging with stakeholders).
- 6) Learning by doing, and reflection.

Achievements



1. Health Impact Assessment with an equity focus carried out by partners involved.

<http://www.equitychannel.net/uploads/HIA%20policy%20themes%20November%202012.pdf>

2. Process for Health Inequalities Audit, developed, undertaken and being written up.

3. Health in All Policies dissemination document produced and used by partners.

<http://www.equitychannel.net/uploads/HiAP%20dissemination%20tool%20for%20partners.pdf>

4. Review of role of the regions produced -

http://health-inequalities.eu/HEALTHYQUITY/EN/projects/equity_action/wp5__regional_case_studies/

Achievements



5. Training workshop carried out for regions at the Committee of the Regions.
6. Draft review of the use of structural funds produced.
7. Guidance tool produced on the use of structural funds. <http://fundsforhealth.eu/>
8. Scientific reference group established and reviews commissioned, and almost completed.

Achievements



9. Two stakeholder workshops focusing on health equity from the start have taken place.

10. Guidance on engaging stakeholders across sectors is being produced.

11. Documentation available on the Equity Action Website <http://equityaction.eu/>

12. FINAL CONFERENCE

Session



Knowledge – the work of the scientific reference group

Update: Stakeholder Engagement

Update: Regions - Structural Funds

Website Refresh

Revisit Tools - HIA/HEA

Final Conference

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