

Flash Report

Sub-group on Cancer under the Expert Group on Public Health

19 December 2023

The Sub-group on Cancer under the Commission Expert Group on Public Health (PHEG) held a virtual meeting, chaired by DG SANTE. The representatives of 15 Member States, plus Norway, attended the meeting together with several Commission services¹.

Final results of the Call for Evidence

An overview of the final results of the **Call for Evidence**², lunched by the Commission on October 9th, was given. Through this Call for Evidence, the Commission aimed at gathering views on how the future Recommendation may achieve the objectives set out collecting views on its expected impacts.

Results of the literature review covering the period after the SCHEER Opinion on sunbeds (2016)

The final results of the systematic **literature review** covering the period after the SCHEER Opinion on sunbeds were presented.

EU-level recommendations – discussion

Based on the responding states' contributions to the survey and on the discussions in the previous two Cancer Sub-group meetings as well as on the results of the Call for Evidence, the Commission put together a list of **possible measures** that will serve as a **basis for the future Commission Recommendation**. This list was presented and discussed; the meeting's participants were asked to share their opinions on the importance and feasibility of the measures considered, as well as on any other actions, currently not in the list, that would be important to include in the Recommendation.

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The Commission proposed to have an **additional meeting** focusing on sunbeds on 24 January 2024.

¹ Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE); Directorate-General for Research and Innovation (DG RTD); Committee on Employment and Social Affairs (EMPL); Joint Research Centre (JRC).

² The Call for evidence is available here: https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/13956-Cancer-prevention-reducing-the-health-risks-associated-with-using-sunbeds_en