



Commission proposal for a Council Recommendation on vaccine-preventable cancers

**Consultation of the PHEG Sub-Group on Cancer
7 March 2023**

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- Announced in the Europe's Beating Cancer Plan
- First presented to the Cancer Sub-Group on 14 December 2022
- Part of Prevention Package together with initiative on smoke-free environments
- Package included in the 2023 Commission Work Programme under the priority "Promoting our European Way of Life"
- Prevention Package to be adopted 3rd quarter 2023

[A cancer plan for Europe \(europa.eu\)](https://european-council.europa.eu/media/en/press-operations/infographic-1172022-01.pdf)

[Commission work programme 2023 \(europa.eu\)](https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_22_1911)

[Smoke-free environments \(europa.eu\)](https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_22_1911)

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- Help Member States prevent cancers caused by infections with Human papillomaviruses (HPV) and Hepatitis B virus (HBV)
- Focus on increasing vaccination uptake
- HPV: Call for actions to increase the uptake of vaccination among girls and boys + better monitoring of vaccination uptake, in particular for boys.
- HBV: call for actions to increase access to vaccination for all affected population groups + , better monitoring of vaccination uptake, in particular if data gaps.

Consultation activities

- Call for Evidence open 9 January-6 February 2023. Replies being analysed.
- Targeted consultations February-April 2023:
 - The **sub-group on cancer** and other relevant sub-groups under the new Commission expert group on public health
 - The 'Beating Cancer Stakeholder Contact Group' and prevention-oriented thematic groups on the EU Health Policy Platform, as well as the Horizon Europe Cancer Mission Board
 - The Coalition for Vaccination
 - Partner countries of the new joint action PartnERship to Contrast HPV (PERCH)
 - The European office of the World Health Organization (WHO)

Consultation of the Cancer Sub-Group

- What action is taken or needed at national and EU level to increase the uptake of HPV vaccination among girls and boys?
- What action is taken or needed at national level to improve the monitoring of HPV vaccination coverage rates, in particular among boys? How can action at EU level support national efforts?
- What action is taken or needed at national level to increase the access to HBV vaccination for all affected population groups? How can action at EU level support national efforts?
- What action is taken or needed at national level to improve the monitoring of HBV vaccination coverage rates, in particular where there are data gaps? How can action at EU level support national efforts?



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Thank you!

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until

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Thank you.