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Webinar

The state of health in Ireland

23 March 2022, 11:00 – 12:00 CET

Over two years after the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, European countries are now at a key juncture. Health services have changed rapidly and dramatically to respond to the health emergency, and many countries have now turned attention to recovery while continuing to register a significant number of COVID-19 cases.

As part of the '[State of Health in the EU](#)' (SoHEU) - a two-year recurring project that the European Commission has carried out in partnership with the OECD and the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies since 2016 – this webinar will present a data-based account of the state of the health system in Ireland from a comparative, EU-wide perspective.

Based on the key findings from Ireland's Country Health Profile 2021 and the European Commission's Companion Report, presenters and panelists will discuss:

- 1) How national health systems in Europe are sustaining positive changes and transformations developed in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and
- 2) Which government policies and investments in health should be prioritized to support system recovery in the context of the looming threat of the pandemic.

Supporting documents:

Ireland: Country Health Profile 2021 [\[link\]](#)

State of Health in the EU – Companion Report 2021 [\[link\]](#)

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AGENDA

- 11.00 *Welcome & introduction*
Jonathan CLARIDGE – Deputy Head of Representation – Head of Political Reporting, European Commission's Representation in Ireland
- 11.05 *Presentations:*
- *European health systems resilience in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic*
Federico PRATELLESI – Country desk officer for Ireland, Performance of national health systems unit – DG for Health and Food Safety, European Commission

 - *The state of health in Ireland: key findings from the Country Health Profile 2021*
Guillaume DEDET – Policy Analyst, Health Division – Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
- 11.25 *Panel discussion – presenters will be joined by:*
Muiris O’CONNOR – Assistant Secretary, Head of R&D and Health Analytics, An Roinn Sláinte (Department of Health)
Tony CANAVAN – President, Health Management Institute of Ireland
Stephen McMAHON – Co-founder, Irish Patients’ Association
- 11:50 *Q&A session*
- 12.00 *Final remarks & conclusions*



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