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Europe's Beating Cancer Plan where are we now?

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Cancer is the primary cause of death for Europeans under 65. Every year around 2.7 million people living in the EU are diagnosed with cancer. The lives lost to cancer in the EU are set to increase by more than 24% by 2035. But 40 % of cancers can be prevented. A lot can be done! **Europe's Beating Cancer Plan** was launched in February 2021 and sets out the Commission's renewed commitment to prevent cancer, support equal access and improve the lives of all those who touched by this disease.

10 FLAGSHIP INITIATIVES



► NEW TECHNOLOGIES, RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

1. **European Commission Knowledge Centre on Cancer**
launched in June 2021
2. **European Cancer Imaging Initiative**
Work started on atlas of cancer-related images



► SAVING LIVES THROUGH SUSTAINABLE CANCER PREVENTION

3. **Eliminate cancers caused by Human papillomavirus**
✓ Joint Action on HPV vaccination
launched in February 2022



► IMPROVING EARLY DETECTION OF CANCER

4. **EU Cancer Screening Scheme**
✓ Proposal to revise the Council Recommendation on Cancer Screening published in September 2022
✓ Scientific opinion of the Group of Chief Scientific Advisers and other contributions published in March 2022
✓ Call for evidence published in February 2022



► ENSURING HIGH STANDARDS IN CANCER CARE

5. **EU network of National Comprehensive Cancer Centres**
✓ Launched in December 2021, grants given to Member States
6. **Cancer Diagnostic and Treatment for All**
✓ Call for proposals launched in 2022
7. **European Initiative to Understand Cancer**
✓ Coordination and Support Action launched in 2022



► IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR CANCER PATIENTS, SURVIVORS, AND CARERS

8. **Better life for cancer patients' initiative**
✓ Report on 'Access to financial services for persons with a history of cancer', including the right to be forgotten published in May 2022
✓ Work started on a code of conduct



► REDUCING CANCER INEQUALITIES ACROSS THE EU

9. **European Cancer Inequalities Registry**
✓ First phase launched in February 2022



► PUTTING CHILDHOOD CANCER UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT

10. **Helping Children with Cancer Initiative**
✓ EU Network of Youth Cancer Survivors launched in February 2022
✓ New section on Paediatric Cancers added to the European Cancer Information System

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