

Stakeholders' Targeted Consultation

EU4health stakeholders' views on strategic orientations & priorities – 2023 Work Programme

Consultation strategy

1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Under the governance of the EU4health programme, the Commission will apply a joint policy implementation (art.15 and art. 23 of the regulation (EU) 2021/522):

- the Commission is in charge of the preparatory work for the annual Work Programmes;
- a EU4Health Steering Group including member from the Commission and the Member States is consulted on the strategic orientations and on the preparatory work;
- a EU4Health Programme Committee will deliver an opinion for the adoption of the draft implementing act.

The Commission will also consult with relevant stakeholders (art.16 of the regulation (EU) 2021/522), including representatives of civil society and patient organisations, to seek their views on:

- (a) the priorities and strategic orientation of the annual Work Programme;
- (b) the needs to be addressed through the annual Work Programme and the results achieved through it.

To this end, the Commission has organized this stakeholders' consultation to seek the opinion of stakeholders on the priorities, strategic orientations and needs that might be addressed in 2023 Work Programme.

The Commission shall organise the consultation and information of stakeholders at least once a year, in the six months preceding the presentation of the draft work programme.

The outcomes of the consultation of stakeholders, as well as of the proceedings of the EU4Health Steering Group, will be presented to the European Parliament prior to the last meeting of the EU4Health Steering Group.

2. OBJECTIVES OF THE CONSULTATION

The consultation aims to collect stakeholders' views on the needs that must be most urgently addressed in the strands of action that are going to be funded under the EU4Health Work Programme 2023. As well, the stakeholders could give their opinion on the priorities, strategic orientations towards the achievement of the programme's objectives, as well as of the actions that are considered to be most effective for this purpose.

The outcomes of this consultation will serve as inputs for the preparation of the 2023 Work Programme, but they also serve for nurturing the reflection on priorities, strategic orientations and needs for next Work Programmes. This exercise is essential for

The outcomes of the consultation will be summarized in a Summary report that will be made available in the EU4Health website ([EU4Health 2021-2027 – a vision for a healthier European Union \(europa.eu\)](https://europa.eu/eu4health)).

A webinar will be organized for allowing focussed presentation and discussion on some of the proposals put forward by the stakeholders in the consultation.

3. STAKEHOLDER MAPPING

The EU4health programme involves a broad range of stakeholders. The main interest groups identified for this consultation are:

Organisations representing patients, civil society, and other parties active in public health and social issues - in addition to the general interests described above, they are specifically concerned about the contribution of funded intervention to tackle the health challenges across the EU. Their contributions are particularly important to inform the Commission’s reflection in relation to ‘unmet health needs’ and ‘success stories’.

Healthcare professionals and healthcare providers - they are daily confronted with health challenges. They are interested in the contribution that the interventions funded can bring to address unmet medical needs.

Researchers, academia and experts networks - their contributions are particularly important regarding scientific developments and in upscaling innovative solutions.

Businesses and their associations - contributions will be sought from small and medium-sized (SMEs) as well as from large companies, including pharmaceutical companies, medical devices manufacturers, digital companies, healthcare service providers, hospital and care deliverers, health insurances etc.

Member States authorities - authorities that are responsible for health at national, regional or local level.

A EU4Health community of stakeholders has been identified through the two webinars organised in 2021 and direct contacts with DG SANTE. Those stakeholders will be made aware of the possibility to participate to the consultation. The consultation will be publicly advertised and available, in order to ensure that other stakeholders can participate.

4. CONSULTATION ACTIVITIES AND TIMING

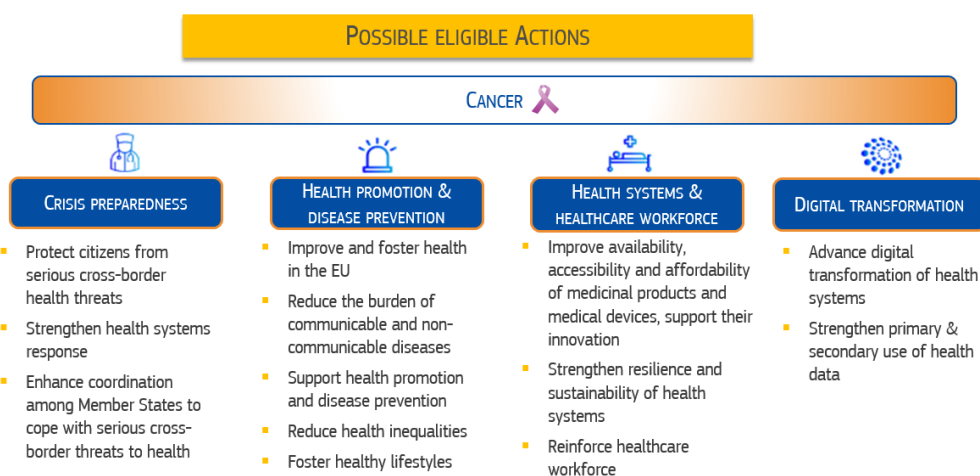
The Commission will launch a 6-week targeted consultation on 16 May (only in English) to consult the general public and other stakeholders.

The consultation will be conducted via a questionnaire (EU Survey) to be published online at 12am.

Further information:

STRANDS

In the annual Work Programmes, the EU4Health supports a broad range of actions under four overarching “strands” with a cross-cutting focus on cancer



OBJECTIVES

The EU4Health programme will provide financial support for delivering on the EU Health policy along four goals (general objectives) and ten key areas of intervention (specific objectives)

IMPROVE & FOSTER HEALTH



- Health promotion and disease prevention; cancer
- International health initiatives & cooperation

PROTECT PEOPLE



- Prevention, preparedness & response to cross-border health threats
- Complementing national stockpiling of essential crisis-relevant products
- Establishing a reserve of medical, healthcare & support staff

ACCESS TO MEDICINAL PRODUCTS & MEDICAL DEVICES



- Enhancement of availability, accessibility & affordability of medicinal products, medical devices and crisis-relevant products

STRENGTHEN HEALTH SYSTEMS



- Strengthening health data, digital tools & services, digital transformation of healthcare
- Enhancing access to healthcare
- Developing and implementing EU health legislation and evidence-based decision making
- Integrated work among MS health systems