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Summary report on EUROCHIP-2 activities

Finland

Our ACTION in Finland has been formulated:

We will take a look at **'DELAY_BR'** in collaboration with the PERFECT Project (PERFormance, Effectiveness and Cost of Treatment episodes) of the equivalent of Board of Health of Finland (STAKES - National Research and Development Centre for Welfare and Health). The PERFECT project is run by health economists and a variety of interdisciplinary professionals. See http://www.stakes.fi/perfect/index.html

With the available EUROCHIP funding for Finland, we shall hire Dr Päivi Peltoniemi, MD, to work on the **'DELAY_BR'** - **ACTION** project. Dr Matti Rautalahti from the Cancer Society of Finland will also act as a consultant.

Dr Peltoniemi's supervisor will be Dr Kaija Holli (in charge of the PERFECT Sub study 3), Clinical Oncologist and Professor of Palliative Care, Tampere University Hospital and Director of the Medical School at the Medical Faculty, University of Tampere, Tampere, Finland. She is also a member of one of the previous Panels of Experts of EUROCHIP-1.

By the time of the EUROCHIP-2 Scandinavian Meeting on 14 July 2005 in Vilnius, Lithuania, I will be able to bring with me the completed forms concerning the available information about the 41 Cancer Health Indicators for Finland.

Concerning discussion on major inequalities and problems in Finland, I can only say that Finland is one of the model countries that has been able to minimise health inequalities.

I am looking forward to discussions on which way to forward after the Vilnius meeting.

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On behalf of Team Finland,

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