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COVER NOTE

5. eHealth Network Workplan 2023

1. Issue at stake

Since the proposal for the European Health Data Space (EHDS) regulation was published on May 3, 2022, the eHealth network entered into a new phase, more than 10 years after its creation. The regulation is envisioning a new governance for Digital Health in Europe, with new ways and means for action. eHealth Network representatives are supporting the negotiation process in the Council as experts and the eHealth Network needs to use the transition period to prepare for and shape the future governance of eHealth in Europe in order to continue the fruitful collaboration between the MS and the Commission under a joint leadership.

In this context and in order to best use expertise and resources, as well as in order to ensure meeting the eHealth network objectives, the eHealth network has to agree on a workplan with clear priorities and expected deliverables. This workplan will drive the agenda for all subgroups consequently.

2. Summary

The eHealth Network main objectives are described in article 14 of the Cross-border healthcare directive. Directive 2011/24/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2011 on the application of patients' rights in cross-border healthcare (europa.eu). Priorities for the eHealth Network include the expansion and successful implementation of MyHealth@EU, the development of digital health in Member States and, due to the current context, the transition to EHDS governance.

To achieve this, the eHealth network is setting **5 key priorities for 2023, with clear deliverables, planning and responsibilities for existing subgroups and volunteering Member States, along with the European Commission.**

5 key priorities eHealth Network 2023

- 1- **Identify the needs for European funding for eHealth infrastructure for primary and secondary use of health data**
- 2- **Achieve further technical common choices and formalize our process**
- 3- **Implement European ethical principles for digital health**
- 4- **Assess digital health deployment progress and best practices in EU Member States**
- 5- **Cooperate more effectively, in preparation for the future EHDS board**

For eHealth Network adoption of the first eHealth Network Workplan. [Updated implementation plan for information]