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Webinar: protecting vulnerable populations from Covid-19

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The COVID 19 pandemic is an unprecedented challenge to our societies that touches every citizen in one way or another but that puts the most vulnerable among us at even greater risk. People with no or low incomes, the unemployed, people with disabilities and those in precarious situations including the homeless, migrants and refugees are particularly vulnerable. It is hard to assess the overall impact during an ongoing crisis, but it is evident that we need to continue to take immediate action, drawing on lessons learnt and addressing issues as they continue to present themselves. The objective of this webinar is to share positive experiences and actions that work and to learn from each other so that the most vulnerable in our communities can benefit – now and in the future – from real solutions.

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We are looking forward to welcoming you online.
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EU Health Policy Platform will host a live webinar, following this agenda:

- 11:30 - 11:35** **Welcome**
John F. Ryan, Director Public Health, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission
- 11:35 - 11:45** **Keynote speech**
Stella Kyriakides, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety
- 11:45 - 11:55** **Scientific guidance on the provision of support to medically and socially vulnerable populations during the COVID-19 pandemic**
Anastasia Pharris, Expert Coronavirus and Influenza, European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control
- 11:55 - 12:05** **Supporting the COVID-19 response for vulnerable populations: nursing homes and migrants and refugees**
Inma Vazquez, Médecins Sans Frontières, Representative to the EU and NATO
- 12:05 - 12:15** **Protecting children, particularly the most vulnerable**
Philippe Cori, UNICEF Deputy Regional Director, Europe and Central Asia
- 12:15 - 12:25** **Red Cross COVID-19 response operation in Europe region- current activities and challenges**
Frido Herinckx, Operation Manager, COVID-19 response, IFRC Regional office for Europe, Red Cross Europe
- 12:25 - 12:35** **Supporting the underprivileged and discriminated individuals in Luxembourg**
Idoya Perez, Pédiatre, Kanner Stëmm -service de pédiatrie sociale- Stemm vun der Strooss
- 12:35 - 12:55** **Questions & Answers**
- 12:55 - 13:00** **Closing remarks**
John F. Ryan, DG SANTE, European Commission

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