

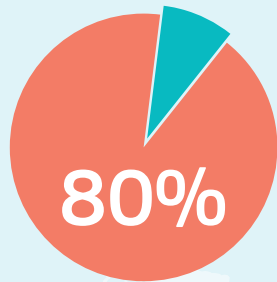
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5 WAYS TO MAKE HEALTHCARE EFFECTIVE, ACCESSIBLE AND RESILIENT

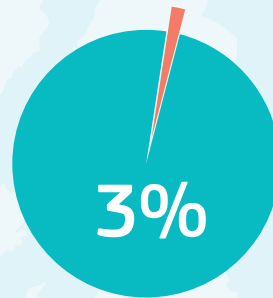


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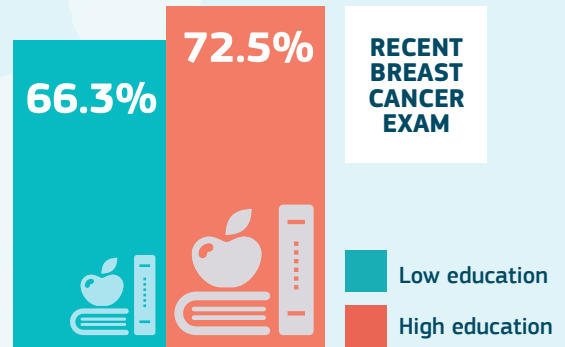
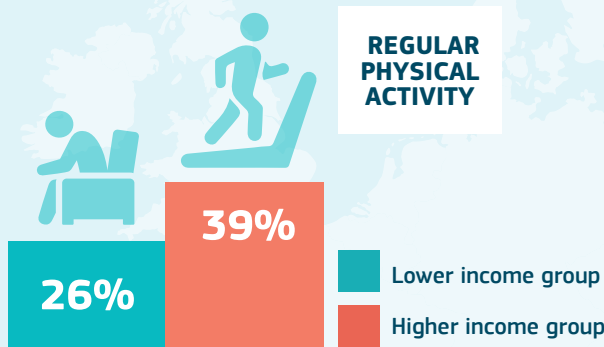
HEALTH PROMOTION AND DISEASE PREVENTION PAVE THE WAY FOR A MORE EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT HEALTH SYSTEM



Non-communicable diseases account for up to 80% of HEALTHCARE COSTS



Yet only around 3% of health budgets are spent on PREVENTION



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A STRONG PRIMARY CARE GUIDES PATIENTS THROUGH THE HEALTH SYSTEM AND HELPS AVOID WASTEFUL SPENDING



27% VISIT AN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT BECAUSE OF INADEQUATE PRIMARY CARE

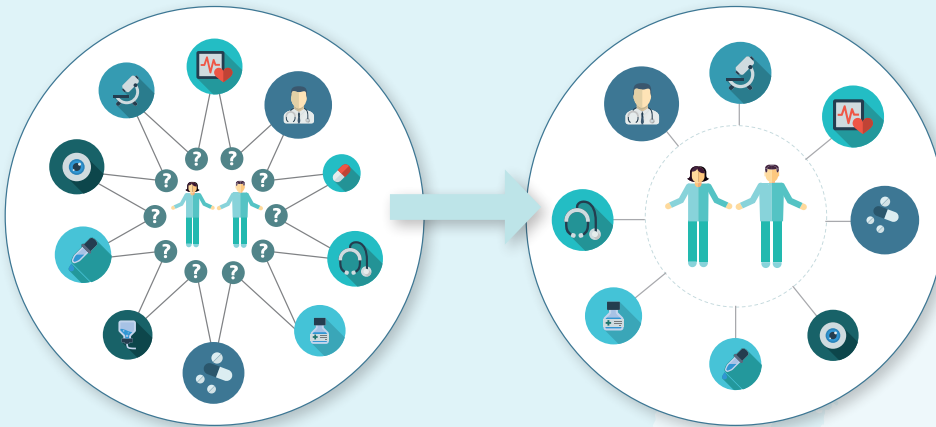


14 EU COUNTRIES REQUIRE PRIMARY CARE REFERRAL FOR CONSULTING A SPECIALIST



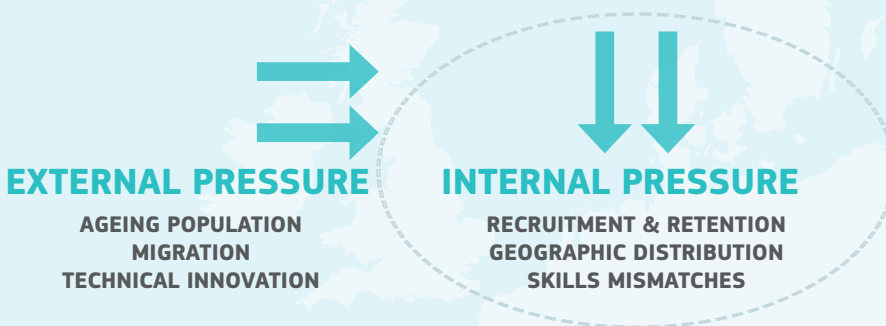
9 OTHER COUNTRIES HAVE FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR REFERRALS

3 INTEGRATED CARE TACKLES A LABYRINTH OF SCATTERED HEALTH SERVICES TO THE BENEFIT OF THE PATIENT



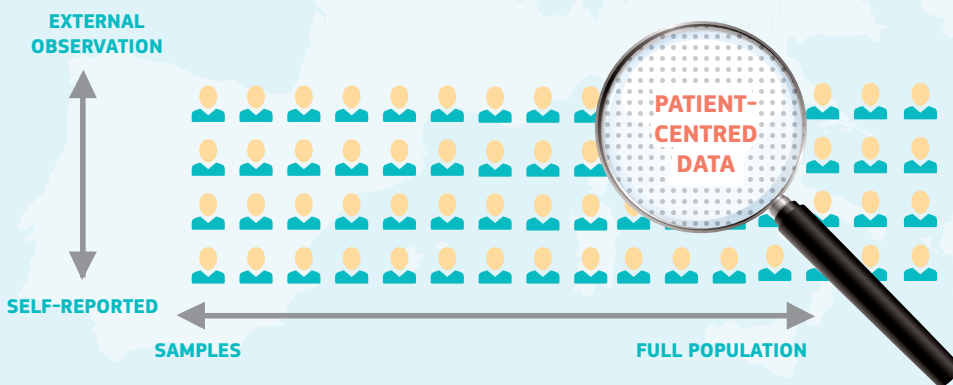
The rising burden of chronic disease and multi-morbidity requires tackling the complexity and fragmentation of services.

4 PROACTIVE HEALTH WORKFORCE PLANNING AND FORECASTING MAKE HEALTH SYSTEMS RESILIENT TO FUTURE EVOLUTIONS



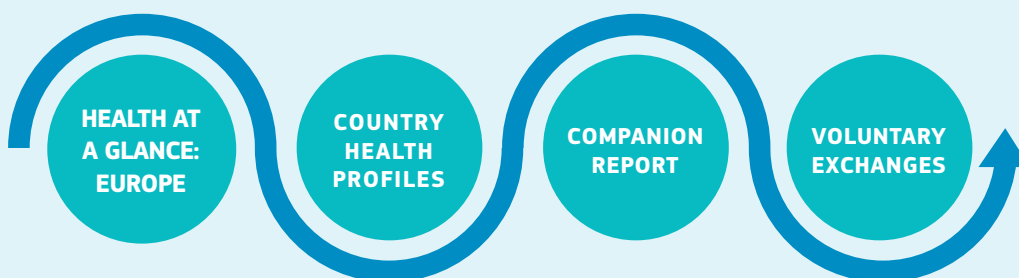
The EU's 18 million healthcare professionals are at the centre of prevention, primary care and integrated care. Unlocking their potential requires us to confront different external and internal pressures.

5 THE PATIENT IS AT THE CENTRE OF THE NEXT GENERATION OF BETTER HEALTH DATA FOR POLICY AND PRACTICE



Patient-centred health data contributes to patient outcomes whilst reducing wasteful spending in healthcare.

The full synthesis of key findings can be found in the *State of Health in the EU Companion Report*, published in November 2017



All 28 Country Health Profiles can be accessed at: ec.europa.eu/health/state

