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PORTFOLIO: Organ Transplantation

General objectives

Our main aim is to enhance the organization of transplantation systems through the exchange of best practices, complementing Member State policies in this field through cross-border cooperation. One interest area for each challenge field of the Commission Action Plan (increasing organ availability, enhancing efficiency and accessibility of transplant systems, improving quality and safety) will be selected and best-practice transfer will be implemented through two actions, exchange visits and specific training. The interest areas may be: HB/NHB/living donation, traceability systems, quality assurance programs including audit systems, lifesaving organ programs and urgencies, evaluation of transplant outcomes. Full benefit will be drawn from previous or ongoing projects (ALLIANCEO, DOPKI, COORENOR)

Since even European Union countries with well-developed services show differences in some organ donation and transplantation activity, the expected outcome is that all participating countries will benefit from full knowledge of the donation and transplant systems that achieved the best results.

Strategic relevance and contribution to the public health programme

The European Commission has adopted important safety and quality measures for organ donation and a 10 point action plan to work with EU Member States on strengthening organ donation and transplantation systems in Europe. For many patients, organ transplantation represents the only life saving treatment available. There are currently 56,000 patients waiting for a suitable organ donor in the EU. It is estimated that every day 12 people die while waiting for transplantation. This joint action will contribute to the Directive implementation and Action Plan allowing diffusion of best-practices in the three key challenge fields identified by the Commission, one for each challenge field. The consortium partnership, made of national organ Competent authorities or their appointees, delegated by their Member States, will also ensure a proper echo at the level of present policy makers, giving an added value to the action.

Methods and means

The project will foster the exchange of best-practice through exchange visits (up to five) followed by the provision of a set of specialized trainings.

Reciprocal onsite exchange visits will be planned and shaped after identifying a series of activities and/or programs, for which the beneficiary country has more interest or need.

The general methodology will be:

- Identification of areas of interest (one for each Action Plan challenge point) for

transfer of best practices

- Organization of field visits in best-practice countries
- Field visits in beneficiary countries by joint expert commissions
- Production of short reports/guidelines for improvements
- Definition of training interests

On the basis of best-practice exchange/identified training needs, two kinds of courses (short term/medium term) will be developed, whose contents will be tailored upon needs highlighted during the exchange visits. The courses will be addressed to the health-care staff of organ coordinating and transplantation centers. Through these courses a further transfer of best practices will be performed.

Expected outcomes period

The main goal of our action is fostering the transfer of best-practices in the field of organ donation and transplantation and investigating its feasibility. The forthcoming implementation of the European Directive identifies a series of actions to be taken, that each country has to prioritize according to its own organization and existing system.

With the help of this legislative tool, each country would be able to find organizational solutions for bettering sectors where its own donation/transplant network has room for improvement. Long-term sustainability would be ensured by the quality of partnership and the support of MS to joint action. An external evaluation would also be performed at international level through indicators that are presently being defined by the European Union.

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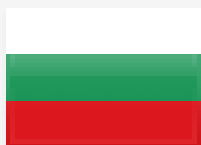


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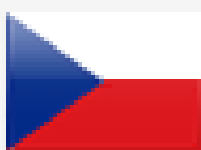


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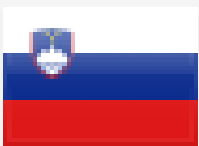
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D03 - Onsite visits report (EN)

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D04 - Courses report (EN)

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D05 - Evaluation report (EN)

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D06 - Final report (EN)

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