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Digital skills for healthcare professionals

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European Commission Technical Support Instrument: Health care workforce

What is Technical Support Instrument?

€ 864 million of budget for the period 2021-2027

27 Member States; over 1200 reforms across all areas

Demand-driven and tailor-made

Any reform phase, from design to implementation and evaluation

Important pillar of the EU recovery plan, supporting its implementation

Support to improve the distribution of healthcare professionals and develop a competence assessment framework for healthcare workers

in Lithuania

Examples

Health workforce strategy in Latvia **Health and Social Care Workforce** Planning in Ireland















Digital skills to increase quality and resilience of the health system in Italy

Improving digital competences for health and care workforce in Romania

Digital skills Estonia and Catalonia





Digital Skills For Digital Transformation of Health and Care System

IMPACT OBJECTIVES

✓ Supporting Member States in structural reforms linked to the Digital Transformation of Health and Care Systems

✓ Contributing to closing the digital skills gap in health and care sectors

✓ Improving overall access, resilience, effectiveness and sustainability of health systems.





Digital Skills For Digital Transformation of Health and Care System

WHAT TYPES OF TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Assessment of state of play of supply and demand for digital health workforce skills in view of related RRP reforms and investments

Standards for quality assurance and capacity building

Benchmarking and review of actions based on mapping of state of the art in digital skills training, governance, policy and legislation

This flagship
presents
indicatively a series
of technical support
measures which
could facilitate the
Digital
Transformation of
Health and Care
Systems

Designing of e-Government tools

Piloting and action planning

Establishing coordination mechanisms for synergies with other union funding instruments and national programmes





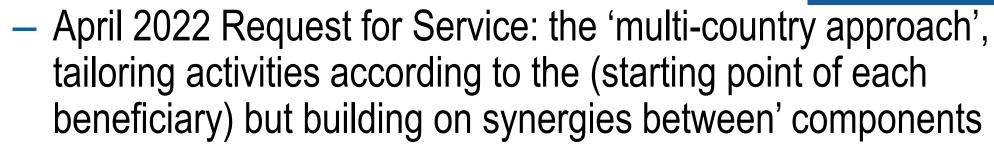
Improving Digital Competences of the Health Workforce in Catalonia and Estonia

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Tallinn, 30th November, 2022

- Project design phase has ended
 - Initial request sent on Oct 2021



- Strong support from DG REFORM Policy Officer
- Duration of the project 22 months
- Virtual kick-off meeting done, F2F meeting on 24.11. 2022 in Catalonia and 16.12.2022 in Estonia



Eesti Vabariik

Project description

- Building knowledge and capacity to address the digital competences gap in Catalonia and Estonia
 - a widespread use of the electronic health record by different health providers;
 - widely available and used IT devices and applications processing health information;
 - Catalonia and Estonia wish to build concrete actions aligned with the Digital Competence Framework for Citizens (developed by the Joint Research Centre (EC)).
 - Best practices on digital skills frameworks, training, governance

Eesti Vabariik

Need for governance model and strategy in Estonia

Context

Estonian eHealth Strategy

Monitoring & forecasting system OSKA

Different 'pilot' projects on basic digital competences (eg family doctors & nurses)

> DigComp assessment – Pilot (Tartu University)

TSI projects

Health ICT Governance Framework

Integrated
Hospital
Master Plan

Health System
Performance
Assessment
Framework

What we do not know?

HWF digital competence definiton?

Roles and requirements for sustainable ongoing review?

HWF digital competence profiles?

Standards for up-skilling & re-skilling?

What are the digital competences in HWF curricula?

COMPDIG-Salut project

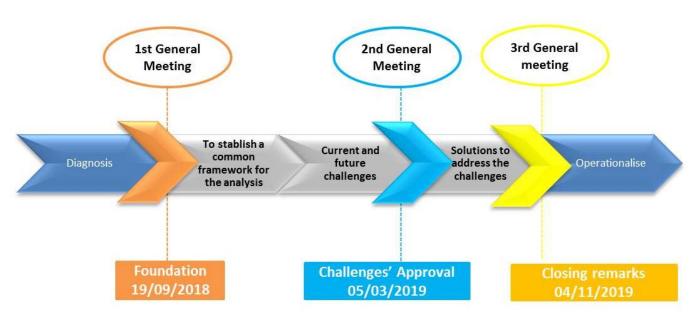
Catalan strategy to improve digital skills of healthcare professionals and Technical Support Instrument

Elisenda Reixach



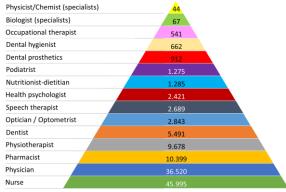


Context: Forum of Professional Dialogue

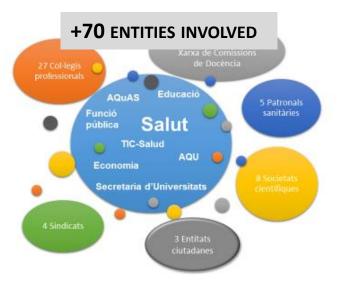




PHP in Catalonia 2017



Law Ley 44/2003 de 21 de novembre







Goals



Design the digital competences framework for Health professionals



Create the competences assessment and accreditation model



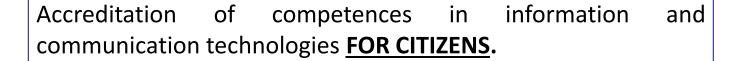
Lay the foundations for the elaboration of the learning contents



Support in the creation of training itineraries for the assessment and accreditation of competences

Strategy





More information in: https://actic.gencat.cat/ca/inici/index.html



Accreditation of competences in information and communication technologies specific for **PHP**



Activities & Results until Oct 22

- 1.-Study to measure the current digital skills of Catalan healthcare professionals
- 2.-Digital skills framework for Catalan PHP
- 3.-Digital skills framework evaluation model
- 4.-Feasibility Pilot study of Digital skills evaluation model

Link: https://salutweb.gencat.cat/ca/el_departament/eixos-xiv-legislatura/forum-dialeg-professional/grups-treball/d/



Main needs to be covered

A total of 14 deliverables will be completed within the 22 months of project:

D5: Strategy and action plan to deploy the COMPDIG-Salut and ACTIC 3-Salut and to define of HPDP in Catalonia

D7: Monitoring and evaluation (M&E) plan for the strategy and the action plan

D6: Health Professional
Digital Competence Profiles
for Catalonia

D9: Training itineraries and training content for Catalonia



eHealth reforms

Creation and implementation of the National eHealth Centre (Czech Republic)

Adapting healthcare delivery models in Castilla la Mancha and Catalonia to the integration of telemedicine solutions

E-Health Strategic Development Plan 2020-2025 (Croatia)

The future directions and evolutions of eHealth (Belgium)

Health ICT governance framework (Estonia)

Primary care

Start-up services for primary health care units (Austria)

Assessment framework for primary care delivered by municipalities

Integrated primary care in Flanders (Belgium)

Strengthening primary care (Portugal, Hungary)

Cancer screening (Romania)

Horizontal reforms

Integrating mental health services for adults (Denmark)

Reorganization of the Romanian Blood System

Development of countryspecific HSPA framework (Lithuania, Croatia, Ireland, Latvia, Slovenia)

Capacity planning of health system resources (Cyprus)

National GenomicsDE Initiative (Germany)

Hospital sector reforms

Capacity building – design and procurement of investments for three regional hospitals (Romania)

Redesign of the reimbursement systems for hospital care (Greece, Poland, Slovenia)

Restructuring of the hospital sector (Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Portugal, Croatia)

Fostering ambulatory surgeries (Hungary)

Centralized procurement (Greece, Portugal)



Some useful links

• Towards person-centred integrated care (europa.eu)

• Technical Support Instrument | European Commission (europa.eu)

