



Horizon Europe-Mission Cancer

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Cancer Mission: objectives

Specific objectives

Understand cancer and its risk factors

Prevent what is preventable

Optimise diagnostics and treatment

Support quality of life of people living with and after cancer

Ensuring equitable access for all



GOAL

Improve the lives of more than 3 million people by 2030, through prevention, cure and for those affected by cancer including their families, to live longer and better, jointly with the **Europe's Beating Cancer Plan**

Commission Communication: “EU Missions two years on: assessment of progress and way forward” (19 July 2023)

The assessment of EU missions confirms that they:

- are timely and inspirational initiatives;
- provide new impetus to important EU policy priorities;
- help aligning EU, national, regional and local policy efforts towards shared goals;
- have encouraged broad engagement and active participation of stakeholders;
- are overall progressing in line with their implementation plans.





Cancer Mission: flagship initiatives to support care



Diagnostic & treatment

Comprehensive Cancer Infrastructures (CCIs):

Objective: strengthening research capacities of existing or future CCIs

Activity: Development of capacity building programme

Ongoing action: Coordination and Support Action (ends April 2026)



Support QoL

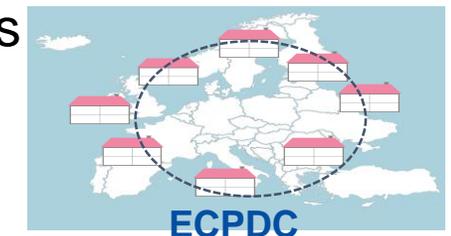
European Cancer Patient Digital Centre (ECPDC)

Objective: improving quality of life of patients, survivors and their families

Main expected activities:

- Information and support of patients, survivors and their families
- Secure environment to access and share electronic health data;

Ongoing action: Study to establish blueprint for ECPDC (ends Sept 2022)





Cancer Mission: new initiatives to boost engagement

- **Fostering new dialogues with and within Member States:**
 - *EU level:* health and research ministries work together in **joint cancer subgroup** under the Public Health Expert Group (PHEG) to ensure scientific evidence systematically informs policy development;
 - *National & regional levels:* future **National Cancer Mission Hubs** will engage national stakeholders in policy dialogues on cancer.



- **Promoting citizen engagement around cancer:**
 - **Focus groups** on cancer prevention early detection and screening (2022)
 - Launch of new **dialogue with young cancer survivors**, including future creation of platform (2023)
 - National Cancer Mission Hubs will support citizen engagement activities



Links

- [EC Communication Missions 2023 \(europa.eu\)](#)
- [Commission staff working document](#)
- [Cancer_Mission implementation_plan 2021 \(europa.eu\)](#)
- Leaflet: [ec_rtd_eu-missions-cancer-leaflet-en.pdf \(europa.eu\)](#) (24 languages)
- [Video: EU Mission on Cancer - Addressing the needs of Young Cancer Survivors](#)



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