

# Integrated Cancer Control WP6

## WP6 Chapter:

# BRIEF PROGRESS REPORT



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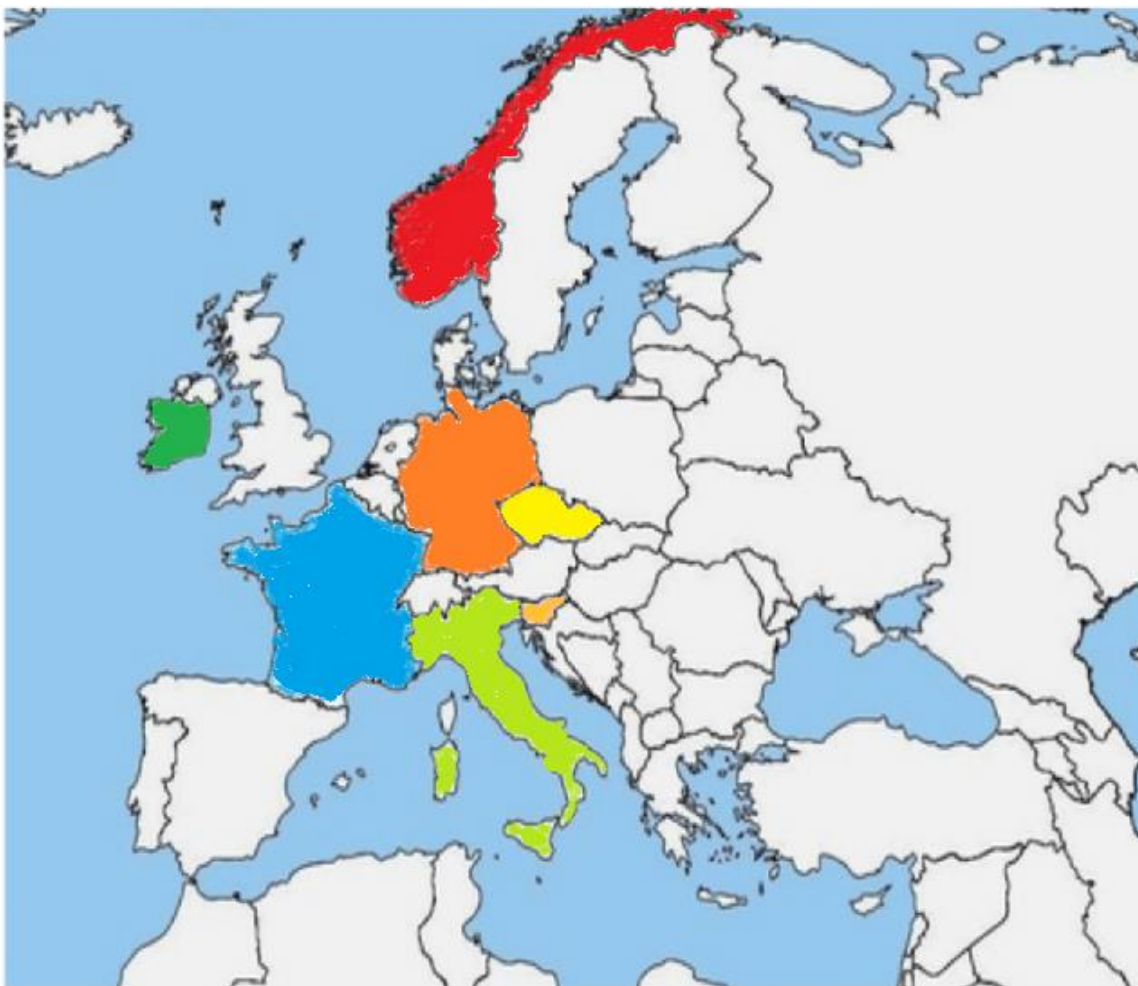
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The aim of the CHAPTER *“Integrated Cancer Control: the case for Comprehensive Cancer Care Network”* was to define a specific type of network that we call Comprehensive Cancer Care Network (CCCN)

# WP6 – CCCN Definition - 1

*“A CCCN consists of multiple Units belonging to different Institutions dedicated to research, prevention, diagnosis, treatment, follow-up, supportive and palliative care and rehabilitation for the benefit of cancer patients and cancer survivors*

**Multiple Units**

*These Units interact and have a formal agreement to work together in a programmatic and structured way with common governance, in order to pursue their goals more effectively and efficiently through collective synergies”*

**Formal and Written  
Agreement**

# WP6 – CCCN Definition - 2

*Within the CCCN the care of patients is the responsibility of inter-professional teams that are multi-disciplinary and tumour-specific. Each team or tumour management group works together for the benefit of patients with that particular type of tumour*

**MDTs**

*Within the CCCN all Units work together and adopt uniform standards of care for cancer-specific pathways that are binding for the entire Network*

**Uniform Guidelines**

# WP6 – CCCN Definition - 3

*The CCCN promotes a uniform system of quality assurance; and a unified informatics system for optimal exchange of information*

**Exchange of Data/Info**

*The objective of a CCCN is to provide comprehensive cancer care to all the people living in a certain geographic area thus pursuing equality and the improvement of outcomes and quality*

**Equality - Quality**

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## HOW TO BUILD A CCCN GEOGRAPHIC CONTEXT

*The epidemiological data pertaining to any particular geographic region are the starting point for defining the needs of that region in terms of cancer care: depending on the **size and the density** of the population, one or more comprehensive cancer care networks (CCCN) are needed in order to meet those needs, and how these should be established*



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# HOW A CCCN CAN PROMOTE/IMPROVE *EQUITY*

- Multiple access points
- Every access point makes all the resources of the CCCN immediately available to every patient nearer home *without sacrificing quality*
- For most tumors all Units within a CCCN have common optimized protocols (Unique Governance). Thus, same treatment options are offered to every patient *regardless of entry point*
- For some tumors one Unit may have specially excellent expertise: that expertise is offered to every patient *regardless of entry point*

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## THE PROBLEM OF INEQUITY IN CANCER CARE

*We recommend that cancer care be so organized that access points as close as possible to where patients reside, and uniformly optimal care be provided near home, thereby reducing disparities*

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## CANCER RESEARCH IN A CCCN

*We recommend that all on-going research activities within the various components of a CCCN continue, and be enhanced through mutual interactions; and that clinical research activities take full advantage of the sum total of the patient population served by the CCCN*

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## ALTERNATIVE TO A CCCN

*Where one or more CCC or other facilities fulfill the needs of the population of a certain region, creating a CCCN may be not necessary; however, we recommend that before deciding against a CCCN the entire cancer services of the area be carefully scrutinized, particularly in relation to providing equity of access and equity of cancer care*

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## CONCLUSION

*A CCCN can become a superior tool for meeting the challenge of increasing needs of cancer patients: providing equity, quality and cost-effective cancer care*