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EU GUIDE FOR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT IN CANCER CONTROL

PURPOSE & OBJECTIVES OF THE GUIDE:

- The guide is addressed to **policy makers** and health administrators in charge of cancer control in EU countries
- The guide focus on **care** and on four key areas of cancer control: screening programmes; integrated cancer control; community-level care and rehabilitation and survivorship
- The guide aims at providing **policy recommendations**, based on the best available knowledge, to improve the quality in the four areas

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FRAMEWORK & METHODS

1. The Guide Coordination Committee (GCC):

- composed by JA coordination, representatives of the EC and JRC, WP leaders, the EU Observatory on Health Systems and Policies and external experts.
- Role: agrees on templates for the chapters and structure of the Guide, assess the content of (draft) chapters, identify cross-cutting issues, etc.

2. Collection of the best knowledge: literature reviews; surveys; mapping and comparison exercises; and pilot studies to collect info on organisational and implementation issues

3. Drafting the policy recommendations: topic or issue leaders and deliberative process (discussions) within the WP teams

OVERVIEW OF THE FOUR KEY AREAS AND METHODS

WP6 Integrated cancer control (case of CCCNs)	WP7 Community-level cancer (after) care	WP8 Cancer rehabilitation and survivorship	WP9 Cancer screening
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inequalities - Structure, infrastructure and governance in a CCCN - Care - Research - Decision-making process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rol and guidelines for GPs - Cancer-specific after care pathways 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - medical follow-up: - rehabilitation, supportive and palliative care. - Multidisciplinary approach : coordination of providers and empowerment of survivors -Childhood, adolescent and young adults - Research 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Governance of cancer screening - Organizational requirements -Integrated evaluation - Potential new cancer screening programmes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Literature review - Survey - Pilot study 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Literature review - Survey - Comparison of 5 EU case studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Literature review - Expert meeting 	

COMMON DIFFICULTIES AND CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES

PROBLEMS FACED BY WP TEAMS:

- Definition of concepts (e.g.: survivorship, comprehensive cancer care network, etc...)
- Few or non-existing (sound) evidence for new challenges or new concepts

CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES

- Inequalities
- Cancer information & data registration
- Need for evaluation
- Research
- Multidisciplinary and role of the first line

STRUCTURE OF THE GUIDE

PART 1

- *Foreword*
- *Rationale, purpose, objectives of JA*
- *Cancer control in the EU: state of play, needs, gaps*
- *A comprehensive picture on the methods, results and discussion presenting of the policy recommendations for the 4 area's*
- *Conclusions and future perspectives*

PART 2

- The four key areas, methodology and key policy messages/recommendations

ANNEXES

Detailed results from the field work (literature review, surveys, mapping exercises, pilot studies, etc...)

KEY AREA I

- A) Intro:
 - Rationale
 - Objectives (research questions?),
 - Clear scope (what does the chapter cover, what does it not cover),
 - Added value in current cancer debate

(Link to Part 1:

- possibly link to other chapters
- place/importance of the topic (screening, rehab, community, networks) within the ‘cancer care spectrum’)

B) Definition

KEY AREA II

C) Methods:

- how were methods applied, how information was gathered
- state limitations of the methods/material
- why this sample of countries/cases...

D) Core with findings: can be structured as needed, and according to whether it is a literature review, case-studies, expert opinions etc.

E) Discussion

F) Conclusions

Question: where should the policy recommendations be placed?

NEXT STEPS

- Drafting the PART 1:
 - led by the NIJZ and the WIV-ISP, supported by WP leaders
 - EU external expert(s) on cancer control
- Finalizing Part 2:
 - Fine-tuning of the chapters on the four key areas (the WP4 and the GCC)
 - Collecting all fieldwork documentation

Deadline: end august 2016

- Endorsement by GCC in Lisboa (8-9 Sept)
- Presentation to Expert group on Cancer (19-20 october 2016)
- Dessimination activities: Stakeholders meeting (Rome, sept), EUPHA (Vienna, Oct), UICC (Paris, Nov), ...