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EUROPE'S BEATING CANCER PLAN: LET'S STRIVE FOR MORE

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Political Guidelines for the next Commission 2019-2024

"Survival rates are on the up, especially thanks to early detection and screening programmes. But there is a lot more we can do. I will put forward a **European plan to fight cancer**, to support Member States in improving cancer control and care."

Ursula von der Leyen, President European Commission



Mission letter Stella Kyriakides, <u>Commissioner for Health and Food Safety</u>

- to put forward a 'Europe is Beating Cancer Plan'
- actions to strengthen our approach at every key stage of the disease:





PREVENTION

- role for nutrition, physical activity, tobacco and alcohol
- reducing exposure to carcinogens in the work place and in the environment
- European Code against Cancer: 12 ways to reduce cancer risks



EARLY DETECTION

- Screening recommendations
- Continued work on guidelines
- Data interoperability, pooling of data, use of Artificial Intelligence and European Health Data Space



DIAGNOSIS and TREATMENT

- Improve access to diagnosis and treatment (timely, innovative, affordable)
- Improve training of health professionals
- Enhance EU networking
- Enhance cancer registries



QUALITY OF LIFE & SURVIVORS

- Improving quality of life for patients and survivors
- Avoiding unfair treatment and discrimination
- Psychological support
- Support back-to-work and re-integration



Elements of the EU Cancer Plan

- Holistic approach through the entire disease pathway
- Health in all policies approach
- Address health inequalities
- UN Sustainable Development Goals and WHO targets on noncommunicable diseases
- Positive effect on other non-communicable diseases with similar determinants
- Lessons learnt from **COVID-19 pandemic**
- Linkages with other **Commission priorities** (Research and Cancer Mission, Pharmaceutical strategy, EHDS, f2f, Green Deal, etc.)



Supporting the actions of Europe's Beating Cancer Plan

- EU4Health Programme
- Horizon Europe, including Cancer Mission
- European Social Fund Plus

And other EU programmes and instruments

- European Regional and Development Fund to improve regional health infrastructure
- Digital Europe and Connecting Europe Facility for creating the digital infrastructure needed for digital health tools
- And others



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