Digital Transformation of Health and Care in the Digital Single Market

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Digital Single Market Strategy (May 2015)

Digital at the core of the Commission's strategy

**Aim**: opening up digital opportunities for people and business; making the EU's single market fit for the digital age

**Mid-term review**: 35 legislative proposals and policy initiatives. 3 key areas for further action: Data economy, cybersecurity, online platforms

**Specific action on health and care** announced, including a Communication on the digital transformation of health and care
EHR systems in place
single national vs. multiple

- 16: One national EHR system
- 10: Multiple EHR systems
- 3: No EHR systems

Single national v. multiple EHR systems currently in place (N=29) (JAsēHN Final Report on EU state of play on patient access on eHealth data 2017)
Standards in national EHR systems (WHO European region)

From innovation to implementation: eHealth in the WHO European Region report. WHO Regional Office for Europe, 2016)
GPs exchanging patient data with other professionals / healthcare providers
Tackling the fragmentation of care services and organising care around peoples needs

Source: State of Health in the EU "Companion Report 2017
Public consultation on Health and Care in the Digital Single Market

- Open between: 20 July – 12 October 2017
- 1464 respondents – 30% organisations + 70% individuals
- Replies from 35 countries – also from beyond Europe
- Health and care organisations are the largest group of respondent organisations
- Structured around the 3 pillars
Public consultation – Summary of results

Citizens should be able to manage their own data:
>90% strongly agree or agree

Sharing health data can be beneficial:
>80% strongly agree or agree

Not having access to digital health services:
Nearly 60%

Citizen feedback to healthcare providers is essential to improve services:
>80% agree
Public consultation on Health and Care in the Digital Single Market

MAIN CONCERNS AND EXPECTATIONS:

Privacy
Cybersecurity
Data quality
Standardised electronic health records
Communication on the Digital Transformation of Health and Care – 3 pillars

- Give citizens **better access** to their **health data**, everywhere in the EU
- Use **digital** services for citizen empowerment and person-centred care
- **Connect** and **share** health data for research, faster diagnosis and better health outcomes
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