EIP – ACTIVE AND HEALTHY AGEING

The Role of Reference Sites and the Reference Site Collaborative Network

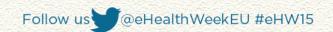# Reference Sites

- 32 Reference Sites

- Mix of Administrative Authority and Non-Administrative Authority

- Areas of Best Practice Peer Reviewed and awarded 1 Star, 2 Star, 3 Star Status
  - Relevance to EIP-AHA objectives, scale, number of specific EIP actions to which they are committed, evidence and replication potential.

Reference Sites - Role

- Implementing innovative technological, social or organisational solutions to enhance the efficiency of health and social care systems

- Scaling up "evidence based" Best Practice within their Region

- Exchanging "evidence based" Best Practice and innovative solutions with other Reference Sites

- Development and adoption of strategies and policies and health and social care delivery models

- Bring together the key stakeholders to effect change – health and social care policy makers, clinicians and health professionals, researchers, SMEs and other Government bodies and agencies

Reference Sites – Examples of Best Practice

- Electronic Health Records
- Integrated Health and Social Care
- Diagnosis and management of cognitive ageing, dementia and vision impairment
- Chronic disease management
- Housing adaptations using AAL technologies
- ICT based health solutions
- Supported independent living
- Telehealth and Telecare
- Risk Prediction Models
- Interoperable Integrated Care Pathways

Reference Site Collaborative Network

- Established November 2013 and includes <u>ALL</u> 32 Reference Sites
- Rationale: -
  - Take forward work that reflected a unique perspective to the delivery of health and social care
  - Link actions and initiatives across the various Action Groups through adopting a horizontal perspective
  - Identify opportunities to share and apply good practice on the integration of services
  - Develop implementation models though sharing of expertise
  - Advocate, promote and support scaling up of health and social care policies, strategies, and delivery models

Reference Site Collaborative Network

- Lead scaling up and multiple replication of areas of good practice

- Consider whether each good practice is ready for scale application across Europe

- Marketing of the best practice to allow all Regions to use the tools to scale up

- Contribute to EIP-AHA planning and implementation

- Facilitate communication within the Network and organise knowledge exchange events and meetings

Reference Site Collaborative Network

- Endorse projects identified by Reference Sites and facilitate identification of partners
- Work with Regions looking to develop new Reference Sites.
- Co-ordinate partnerships across Reference Sites in calls for EU funding
- Assist with developing and maintaining a Repository of good practice and health and care strategies and policies
- Develop strategic partnerships with relevant organisations

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Examples of Twinning Across Reference Sites

- Health and Social Care Policy Think Tank

- Innovative Procurement

- Medicines Optimisation and Adherence

- Integrated Health and Social Care

- Technology Enabled Services

- Engaging and Empowering Patients

- Electronic Health Records

- Integrated Care Pathways for Respiratory Disease

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Other Reference Site Collaborations

- Horizon 2020 Funding Calls

- 3rd EU Health Programme

- Development of proposals for Interreg Europe

- Identifying opportunities under ERDF and ESF Funds

- Ongoing engagements with non Reference Sites to share Best Practice e.g. ageing@coimbra with Lodz (Poland); Northern Ireland with Lithuania, and Poland

- Memorandums of Understanding in place between some Regions

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