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EIP – ACTIVE AND HEALTHY AGEING

The Role of Reference Sites and the Reference Site Collaborative Network

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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 ALL 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 through 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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