

Crossing Bridges

Developing methodologies and building capacity to advance the implementation of HiAP and achieve health equity

Project Overview



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Rationale

FACT: Most significant improvements in health and life expectancy in last 150 years not directly attributed to health care.

- Effective illness prevention and health promotion require changes in our social, physical and economic environments;
- HIAP to: reduce health expenditures, enhance human capital and economic development, generate greater health equity.

Lessons learned from DETERMINE

Obstacles

Time, finances, human resources

Lack of political mandates

Different modus operandi of sectors

Fragmentation of health sector; dominance medical approach

Needs

Clearer, more compelling communication

Legislation + Central Guidelines

Tools, methods, good practice

Common targets + clear Action Plans

Early dialogue + sustainable cooperation structures

Shared budgets

Crossing Bridges

- 18 months (Jan 2011 – June 2012)
- Coordinated by EuroHealthNet + 13 main partners
 - NHS Sefton (UK), WP leader Capacity Building
 - Prolepsis (Greece), WP leader evaluation
 - NHS Sefton, IPH (Ireland), PHW (Wales), WP leaders Focus Groups
- 12 Collaborating partners

14 main partners

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EuroHealthNet

Croatian Regional Institute of Public Health

Austrian Health Promotion Foundation (FGO)

Federal Department of Public Health, Food Safety and Environment, Belgium

Czech National Institute of Public Health (SZU)

Finnish Center for Health Promotion

Federal Centre for Health Education (BZgA)

Health Action Partnership International (HAPI)

Flemish Institute for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention (VIGeZ)

International Union for Health Promotion and Education (IHUPE)

Institute of Preventive Medicine Environmental and Occupational Health (PROLEPSIS)

Karolinska Institutet, Sweden

The Institute of Public Health in Ireland (IPH)

National Center of Health Protection, Bulgaria

National Institute for Health Development, Hungary (OEFI)

National Institute for Health and Welfare, Finland (THL)

National Institute of Public Health of the Republic of Slovenia (NIPH-IVZ)

National Institute for Prevention and Health Education, France (INPES)

Netherlands Institute for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention (NIGZ)

National Institute for Public Health and the Environment, Netherlands (RIVM)

National Institute of Public Health Poland – National Institute of Hygiene (NIPH-NIH)

NHS Health Scotland

NHS Sefton

Regional Public Health Institute Maribor, Slovenia (ZZV MS)

Public Health Wales (PHW)

Regione Veneto – Health and Social Affairs Department

Aim

To take practical steps to advance the implementation of HIAP approaches in EU Member States, as part of the overall mission to improve health equity within and between Member States.

Objectives

1. Analyse existing practice & develop methodologies to implement HIAP
2. Assess capacity needs and build capacity of partners to take more of a leadership role in HiAP

Developing Methodologies: Crossing Bridges between Policy Sectors

1. Two Focus Areas groups: Education + Transport and Planning & School Fruit Scheme implementation
2. Exchange initiatives and examples & Draw out transferable methodologies
3. Test by engaging experts, via Structured Discussion/Brain Storming

Capacity Building at Organisation and Local Policy Level

1. Undertake a Needs Assessment
2. Develop training course to address most pertinent needs identified
3. Partners to implement training in their countries (national and/or sub-national level)
4. National trainers to meet and exchange experiences about training
5. Capacity Building materials refined, lessons drawn from implementation at national level.

Crossing Bridges: Timeline, Deliverables and Key Milestones

2011

March

Project kick-off meeting in Brussels

3 Focus Area Groups to work virtually (WP4);
Preparations Capacity Building Needs Assessment (WP5);
Redevelopment www.health-inequalities.eu (WP2)

June

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July

Second Project meeting in Brussels

September

3 Focus Area Group Reports due (WP4)

Interim Financial + Technical reports due to EC

EuroHealthNet and Focus Area Group Leaders to draw out methods (WP4)

October

CB Needs Assessment forms from partners due (WP5)

Analysis of Capacity Building Needs Assessments and Development of CB
Training Programme (WP5)

November

Delphi Advisory Group meets in Brussels

2012

January

CB training in the Netherlands (NIGZ, WP5)

Country trainings organised and implemented (WP5);
Delphi Process finalized (WP4)

March

CB Feedback Meeting National Trainers in England (NHS Sefton, WP5)

April


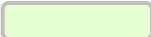
Final Publication

May

Final Event


June

**Final draft Financial and Technical reports to EC & Final
Evaluation Report**

 = Deliverable
 = Milestone

Other initiatives

- **HiAP Summer School (28/11-02/12):**
 - Adelaide, South Australia
 - Build on the work of the Adelaide Statement on HiAP
- explore the concepts and approaches including intersectoral action, HiAP, joined-up policy-making and shared health governance;
- identify and define frameworks and tools (e.g. policy innovation, novel mechanisms and partnerships, sustainable development)
- examine national and regional approaches to shared health governance and HiAP

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