

Europe's Beating Cancer Plan

A new EU approach
to cancer screening



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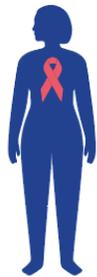
A new EU cancer screening flagship scheme

Early detection through cancer screening **reduces the impact of cancer and saves lives.**

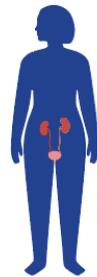
- ✓ Up-to-date EU recommendations based on the latest technology, scientific developments and evidence
- ✓ Updated and new EU screening guidelines and quality assurance schemes
- ✓ Improved monitoring and exchange of data through the European cancer information system and European Health Data Space

What are the new EU recommendations?

Extending access to targeted cancer screening for breast, colorectal and cervical cancers along with a step-by-step approach to introducing prostate, lung and gastric cancer testing.



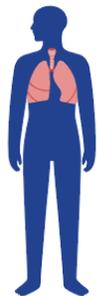
BREAST CANCER
lowering the age for screening to women aged 45-74, plus MRI scans for those with very dense breasts



HPV testing for women aged 30 to 65, every 5 years or more, to detect cervical cancer, taking account of HPV vaccination status



Triage testing for **COLORECTAL CANCER** in people aged 50 – 74 through faecal immunochemical testing (FIT) to determine follow-up via endoscopy/colonoscopy



LUNG CANCER
testing for current heavy and ex-smokers aged 50 – 75



Prostate specific antigen testing for **PROSTATE CANCER** in men up to 70, plus MRI scans for follow-up



In places with high **GASTRIC CANCER** incidence and death rates, screening for Helicobacter pylori and surveillance of precancerous stomach lesions

Accessibility and equality



Target: 90% of the EU population qualifying for breast, cervical and colorectal cancer screenings to be offered screening by 2025



Proposal covers three key areas:
access, quality, diagnostics.

EU Financial support



- € 38.5 million already committed under the EU4Health programme
- € 60 million via Horizon Europe
- Cohesion Policy Instruments
- Recovery and Resilience Facility



An investment in good health: overall economic impact of cancer in the EU is **more than € 100 billion**

Thank you

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