

Health funding in EU4Health and Horizon Europe

A FACT SHEET BY HNN 3.0 AND NFP4Health

Under the current Multi-annual Financial Framework of the European Union (MFF 2021 – 2027), actions that pertain to improving health and well-being in the EU and beyond are supported by multiple streams of funding, covering different dimensions of action, and working in synergy with each other.

Chief among them is Horizon Europe (2021-2027), the EU current 9th research and innovation programme, as well as EU4Health, the Union's 4th programme for action specifically on health, the latter taking a public health- and implementation-oriented outlook.

Within Horizon Europe, health funding is provided on the one hand under the Programme's Cluster 1, Health (one of 6 thematic Clusters) and on the other hand under the Mission Cancer (one of 5 thematic Missions supported under Horizon Europe).

This fact sheet, developed jointly by the network of Horizon Health National Contact Points (NCPs), HNN3.0, and the network of EU4Health National Focal Points (NFPs), NFP4Health, is intended to provide health stakeholders with a side-by-side comparison of some of the key features and possibilities of health funding under each programme.

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| | Horizon Europe Cluster Health | Mission Cancer | EU4Health |
| Focus | research and innovation | | implementation and scale-up |
| Areas of action | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health throughout the life course • Environmental and social health determinants • Non-communicable and rare diseases • Infectious diseases including poverty-related and neglected diseases • Tools, technologies and digital solutions for health and care including personalised medicine • Health care systems | Addressing the entire cancer disease pathway: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevention • Early detection • Diagnosis and treatment • Quality of life of cancer patients and survivors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crisis preparedness • Health promotion & disease prevention • Health systems & healthcare workforce • Digital transformation • Cross-cutting focus on cancer |

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| | Horizon Europe Cluster Health | Mission Cancer | EU4Health |
| Type of actions | <p>Open competition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research & Innovation actions (RIA) • Innovation actions (IA) • Coordination & support actions (CSA) • Pre-Commercial Procurement (PCP) • Public Procurement of Innovative Solutions (PPI) <p>Targeted calls for funding authorities (funding agencies, Member States' authorities):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programme co-fund actions (CoFund) | | <p>Direct Grants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to Member States' authorities (nomination needed), including Joint Actions • to international organizations • to other entities (e.g., European Reference Networks and EU Reference Laboratories) <p>Grants with open competition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Grants • Operating Grants to NGOs <p>Tenders & Procurement</p> |
| Target group | Academia with emphasis on the research community, NGOs, associations, healthcare providers, SMEs & industry, public authorities and -institutions | | Public authorities and -institutions, academia, NGOs, associations, healthcare providers, private sector entities (to a smaller degree) |
| Eligible countries | EU Member States + Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs) + associated countries to HE + low- to middle-income non-EU countries | | <p>EU Member States + OCTs + Iceland, Moldova, Norway, Ukraine (Eligible beneficiaries of Grants)</p> <p>All of the above + Georgia (Eligible tenderers of Procurements)</p> <p>Entities from other countries not listed here may participate as Associated Partners in an EU4Health action if appropriate but may not receive funding from the programme.</p> |

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| | Horizon Europe Cluster Health | Mission Cancer | EU4Health |
| Call cycle | Bi-annual work programmes | Yearly Call for Proposals | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Annual work programmes ➤ Yearly Call for Proposals: Operating Grants ➤ One or more wave(s) of Calls for Proposals per year for other Grants (Direct Grants incl. Joint Actions; Action Grants) ➤ Frequent Calls for Tenders |
| Funding rate grants | 70% - 100%, 30% depending on type of action and type of organization | 70% - 100% depending on type of action and type of organization | 60% - 80% depending on consortium composition (countries) |
| Managed by | HaDEA | | |
| Find a call | Horizon Europe on the F&T Portal | | EU4Health on the F&T Portal |
| Find your national point of contact | List of NCPs | | List of NFPs |
| Find resources via the contact point networks | https://www.healthncp.net/ | | https://www.nfp4health.eu/ |