European Integrated Care Horizon 2020: increase societal participation; reduce care demands and costs

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Abstract

Care recipients in care and welfare are increasingly presenting themselves with complex needs. However, care and welfare are still mainly offered in a standardized, specialized and fragmented way. Support societal participation, quality of live and reduce care demand and costs in people with complex care demands, through integration of healthcare and welfare services.

By studying contexts and influencing mechanisms for favourable outcomes with regard to personalised integrated care will allow meeting the complex care demand of people. This will be enabled by focussed on societal participation in all integrated care best practices. Creating such best healthcare and welfare practices will be done in Slovenia, Poland, Austria, Norway, UK, Finland, The Netherlands: 3 integrated best care practices per involved country.

Studying desired behaviours of healthcare and welfare professionals, managers of healthcare and welfare organisations, members of involved funding organisations and national umbrella organisations for healthcare and welfare, regional policymakers, national policy makers and European policymakers. Integrated care starts with an extensive assessment with the care recipient. Then the required care and services is delivered to the person (fellow human) at home or as close as possible.

Keywords: Integrated Care; societal participation; quality of live; reduce care demands and costs; complex care demands.

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1. Background

Care recipients in care and welfare are increasingly presenting themselves with complex needs (Huber et al., 2016). An answer to this is the integrated organization of care and welfare in a way that personalized care is the measure (Topol, 2016). The reality, however, is that care and welfare are still mainly offered in a standardized, specialized and fragmented way. This imbalance between the need for care and the supply of care not only leads to under-treatment and over-treatment and thus to less (experienced) quality, but also entails the risk of mis-treatment, which means that patient safety is at stake (Berwick, 2005). It also leads to a reduction in the functioning of citizens and unnecessary healthcare cost (Olsson et al, 2009)..

2. Integrated Care

Integrated care is the by fellow human beings experienced smooth process of effective help, care and service provided by various disciplines in the zero line, the first line, the second line and the third line in healthcare and welfare, as close as possible (Ettema et al, 2018; Goodwin et al. 2015).

Integrated care starts with an extensive assessment with the care recipient. Then the required care and services in the zero line, the first line, the second line and / or the third line are coordinated between different care providers. The care is then delivered to the person (fellow human) at home or as close as possible (Bruce and Parry, 2015; Evers and Paulus, 2015; Lewis, 2015; Spicer, 2015; Cringles, 2002).

3. Aim

Support societal participation, quality of live and reduce care demand and costs in people with complex care demands, through integration of healthcare and welfare services.

4. Methods (overview)

- 1. Create best healthcare and welfare practices in Slovenia, Spain, Poland, Austria, Norway, UK, Finland, The Netherlands: 3 integrated best care practices per involved country
- 2. Get insight in working mechanisms of favourable outcomes (by studying the contexts, mechanisms and outcomes) to enable personalised integrated care for meeting the complex care demand of people focussed on societal participation in all integrated care best practices

- 3. Disclose program design features and requirements regarding finance, governance, accountability and management for European policymakers, national policy makers, regional policymakers, national umbrella organisations for healthcare and welfare, funding organisations, and managers of healthcare and welfare organisations
- 4. Identify needs of healthcare and welfare deliverers for creating and supporting dynamic partnerships for integrating these care services for meeting complex care demands in a personalised way for the client
- 5. Studying desired behaviours of healthcare and welfare professionals, managers of healthcare and welfare organisations, members of involved funding organisations and national umbrella organisations for healthcare and welfare, regional policymakers, national policy makers and European policymakers document.



5. Involved parties

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