

CAPACITY-BUILDING FOR INTEGRATED CARE: FROM THE MATURITY ASSESSMENT TO IMPROVEMENT PLANNING





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TOWARDS INTEGRATED CARE IN POLAND

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TOWARDS INTEGRATED CARE MODEL IN PRIMARY HEALTH CARE IN POLAND

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Poland – country profile

- GDP per capita
- GDP growth rate
- Population
- Population age 65+
- Birth rate
- Death rate
- Median age
- Life expectancy
- Unemployment



1.5%

37.9 milion

18.2%

9,2 births/1,000 population

12,4 deaths/1,000 population

41.4 years

76.7 years

3.2% of labor force



OECD, 2020





Background information (1)

Health status:

- ► Life expectancy remains 3,7 years below the European average (in Poland it is 76,7 for European it is 80,4)
- ► Large inequalities exist, with women expecting to outlive men by eight years while the gap between the highest and lowesteducated Poles is ten years
- ▶ People aged >65 spend only half of the rest of their life without disability
- Cardiovascular diseases and cancer are the biggest causes of mortality

OECD, 2020

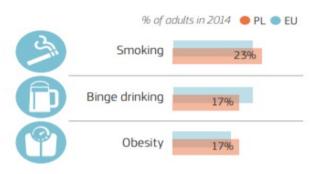




Background information (2)

Risk factors

- Over a third of Poland's disease burden can be attributed to behavioral risk factors
- ► Although the number of smokers fell over the past decade, more than a fifth of adults continue to smoke every day
- Alcohol consumption has increased substantially and one in six adults report heavy drinking on a regular basis
- One in six adults in Poland are obese, the rates are above the European average, which is around 15%



OECD, 2018





Background information (3)

Health system spending

- Health spending in Poland is among the lowest in the Europe
- In 2020, health expenditure was USD 2 289* per capita compared to the European average of USD 4 087**
- Public funds account for 72% of spending, lower than the **European average (79%)**
- Private spending is comparatively high (28%), raising accessibility concerns

Public expenditure on health as a share of GDP increased from

5,3% in 2000 to 6,5% in 2019



*1 990 EUR: **3 553

EUR OECD, 2019; Sowada, Health system review. Health Systems in Transition, 2019

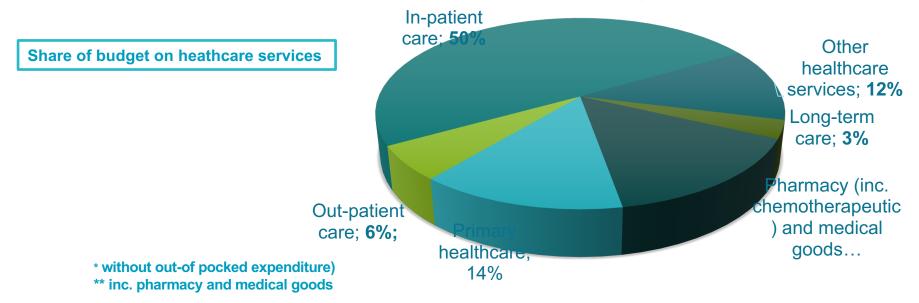




Background information (4)

Healthcare expenditure in 2020

- total expenditure on health* 121,5 bilion PLN (26,3 bilion USD)
- public expenditures on health as a share of GDP: 6,5 %
- bugdet on healthcare services** 84% of total budget on health







Background information (5)

Health system performance

- Effectiveness
 - Despite reductions, Poland's amenable mortality rate is still higher than in most European countries
- Access
 - A relatively high proportion of the population reports unmet needs for medical care -> high out-of-pocket spending
- Resilience
 - Poland is facing challenges to promote access to good-quality care and respond to growing needs for coordinated care





Current health care system in Poland

- ► Focused on specialised and inpatient care,
- Based on reactive provision of medical services,
- ► With poorly informed, non-cooperating patients, highly dependent on the system.





Targeted health care system in Poland

- Focused on primary health care,
- Based on coordinated, pro-active and preventive activities relevant to patient's needs,
- Well educated and cooperating patients.

Focus on preventive tools rather than reactive provision of medical services in case of diagnosed diseases





Project information

- Agreement between National Health Fund (NHF) and Ministry of Health (MoH),
 November 2017
- Population covered with the pilot project:
 - about 300 000 patients
- Implementation period of project:
 - July 2018 September 2021
- Source of funds:
 - European funds
 - NHF (own resources) extra payment for disease management
- Partnerships:
 - The World Bank
- Cooperation:
 - Scirocco Exchange Project







Objectives of the Primary Health Care PLUS model

increasing the amount of medical services at the PHC level,





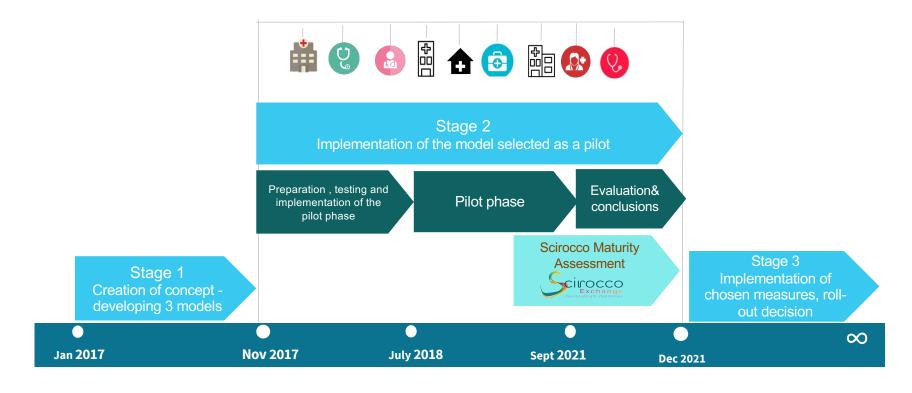
- improving population health status,
- improving patient experience,
- increasing quality of care from individual perspective,
- lowering system total expenditures







Pilot project schedule







PHC Plus pilot model

Management (coordination)



Monitoring
Evaluation

Improvements in organization/technology



Current offer of care

- Office and home health consultations
- Basic laboratory analyses
- Basic x-ray and ultrasound procedures
- Community nursing
- Community midwife's care
- · Preventive care for children



Health check-ups program for all patients in PHC

- Stratification of patients to 1 of 4 clusters:
- 1. healthy without risk factors
- 2. healthy with risk factors
- 3. chronic without symptoms
- 4. chronic with symptoms
- Stratification based on:
- basic health check-up or/and
- in-depth health check-up
- Individual Health Care Plan



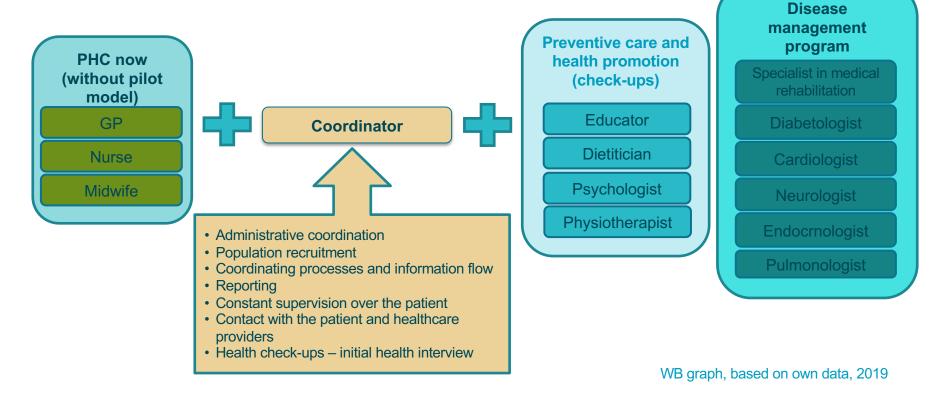
<u>Disease management program for</u> <u>PHC patients diagnosed for 11</u> selected chronic diseases

- 11 diseases included: hypertension, diabetes II, coronary artery disease, AF, HF, asthma, COPD, parenchymal goiter and thyroid nodule, hypothyroidism, peripheral osteoarthritis, back pain
- Admission based on: health check-up or patient's medical history
- Within DMP: coordinated care, including: primary care, specialist care, physiotherapy, education, diet
- Individual Medical Care Plan





PHC now vs PHC Plus pilot model







PHC Plus pilot model

- Model covers all patients aged 18+ registered in selected 47
 PHC clinic, population: ca. 300 000 patients
- Patients age 20-65 were subjects to health check-ups and disease prevention programs (preferred no prior history of healthcare services provided for at least 12 months)
- Patients age 18+ with 11 selected chronic diseases were assigned to the disease management programs (DMP)
- Patient had the right to unsubscribe from this type of care at any time
- Money followed the patient





Health risk health check-ups and disease prevention programmes

- Basic health risk check-ups:
 - medical interview,
 - assessment of basic vital and anthropometric parameters,
 - diagnostic tests,
- Extended health risk check-ups:
 - additional diagnostic tests in patients with health risk factors found,
 - individual treatment plan based on obtained results
- Patient education on found risk factors
- Individual Health Care Plan





Disease management programme

- Physician develops a model of care aligned with the pre-determined diagnostic and therapeutic paths (DTP).
- Complex visits (1 to 3 every year, according to the recommendations in the DTP)
- Individual medical care plan (IMCP) with active registration to next visits/services
- Additional diagnostics
- Patient education (family) about the disease and self-care
- Active primary care in collaboration with 6 specialists physicians in: Diabetology, Endocrinology, Cardiology, Neurology, Pulmonology, Orthopedics
- Qualification criteria:
 - chronic disease suspected or confirmed,
 - excluding patients with severe conditions.





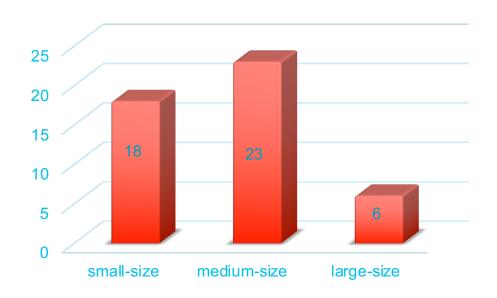
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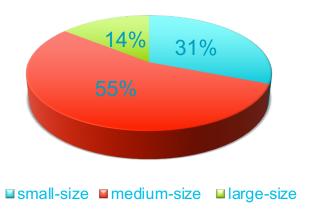
- Primary health care facilities in all relevant regions of Poland,
- **▶** Selection assumption:
 - open and transparent recruitment,
 - proper balance between urban and rural areas.
- Mandatory:
 - proper organizational structure and internal IT systems in place in order to manage coordinated care





PHC units in the PHC PLUS model by size





N=4 7

GPC small-size: < 5 000 inhabitants

GPC medium-size: 5 000 - 10 000 inhabitants

GPC large-size: > 10 000 inhabitants

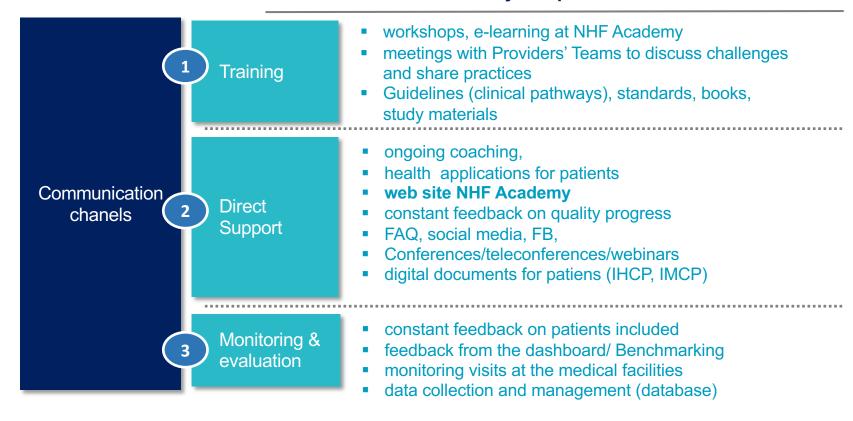
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GPC - General Practice Clinic



Communication

Key components







Preliminary conclusions and implementation progress(1)

Coordinated Care model in Primary Health Care in Poland can help to:

- transfer the burden of medical services from specialized/inpatient care to primary care,
- focus on preventive tools instead of provision of medical services



Monitoring and Evaluation - desirable outcomes

Have the patient outcomes improved?

Have health outcomes of patients enrolled in the PHC+ model improved, as reported by patients?

Have the ability and confidence of patients and their families to manage the patient's condition been improved?

Did lower rate of acute conditions of chronic care patients enrolled in the PHC+ model appear?

Has the patient experience with chronic care improved?

Did patients receive more coordinated range of chronic care services with less fragmentation, as reported through patient-reported experiences?

Did patients have shorter waiting times and report that they can more easily navigate their way through the system?

Are family members actively involved in client's healthcare?

Has the disintegration of service provision reduced?

Are extended screening, prophylactic and chronic care services available?

Are enhanced IT tools used to strengthen integration and coordination at the patient, healthcare provider and payer levels?

Has the disintegration of service provision been reduced, as reported by patients?

Has the integration of services reduced cost of care?

Have fewer duplicate laboratory tests been reported?

Have fewer duplicate prescriptions been reported?

Have fewer hospitalizations for chronic patients covered by PHC+ model appeared?





Monitoring and evaluation (1)

In order to properly assess the effectiveness of coordinated care, an assessment of both health care professional's and the patient's perspective is crucial

Following types of data are being collected as part of the M&E system:

- PROM, PREM and HL (as PAM) surveys
- Personnel satisfaction surveys
- Routine data collected by NHF



Monitoring and Evaluation assessing the maturity for coordinated care

- using the tool for assessing the maturity of PHC providers for coordinated care developed within the framework of the Scirocco project
 - about 120 telephone interviews
 - conducted with about 40 entities)

Next step

taking part in the continuation of the project as part of the team, creating an international knowledge hub



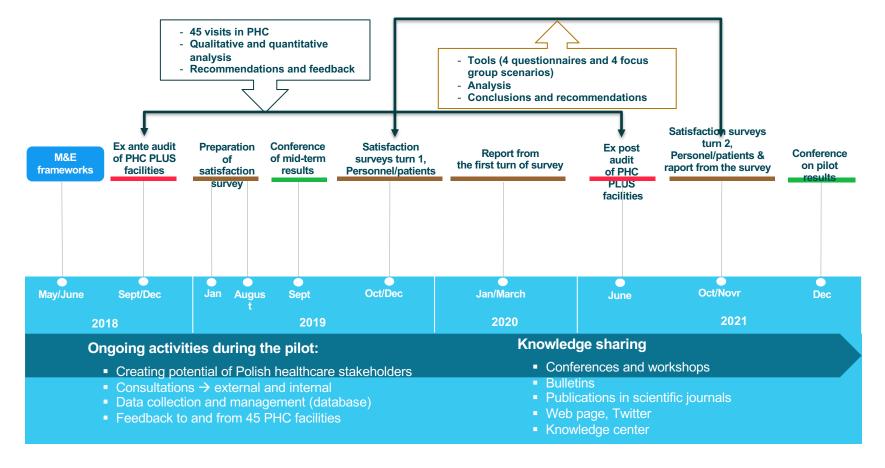








Monitoring and Evaluation timeline





Findings – patient experience

- ► The PHC Plus delivered benefits for the patients. The following were observed:
 - Shorter waiting time for selected specialized services
 - Improved self-perceived health in selected chronic diseases
 - Better experience with the coordination of care (Fragmentation of Care Index improved FCI 0,4 → 0,2)
 - Better experience with the care process
 - The PHC Plus reports a higher percentage of "very satisfied" healthcare professionals (and a lower percentage of those who declare that they are "satisfied")





Findings – disease management programme

- The following observations were made:
- Twice as many "active" patients using the PHC than in the previous years
- Four times more services than in the previous years (physiotherapy included)
- Enhanced check-ups the key tool in prevention
- Disease Management Program (DMP) used only by 12% of the dedicated population (age 18+ ,11 diseases)
- DMP top numbers in Hypertension and Back Pain; with cardiologists "in demand" more frequently than consultants from any other medical field
- Small facilities (< 5000 inhabitants) worked harder (more effective)
- Only 50% of the patient population with a check-up completed participated in educational visits
- Compared to previous years, more hospitalizations in selected chronic diseases





Findings – capacity and capability

In the pilot:

- ► The capacity of PHC facilities to implement new models of care and take on additional tasks varied considerably.
- ► The group of patients that may have benefited the most from the new model of care were patients with the worst self-assessments of their own health and who lived outside of big cities.
- ► The impact of the pilot interventions seemed to be greater in small and medium-sized facilities
- ► teamwork between PHC personnel and external specialist physicians ("outsiders") needs to be improved
- ➤ Smaller facilities (and those that were not a part of larger medical networks) encountered more technical and administrative difficulties in recruiting specific medical specialists
- Organisational capacity of the facilities to implement the pilot had not changed much.
- ► Medical personnel reported that the main problem that they encountered was an inadequately prepared IT



Findings – capacity and capability

In the pilot:

- PHC facility managers reported:
- significant organisational shortcomings
- insufficient use of IT tools and no access to data beyond each provider.
- ▶ insufficient communication among the key health stakeholders involved in implementing the integrated care model
- ▶ insufficient capacity-building of PHC Plus facilities and little knowledge exchange among them.
- ► limited proactive population management by PHC Plus facilities
- there was not enough teamwork within PHC Plus facilities.



Lessons learned from the pilot and future plans

- Successful implementation of integrated care requires:
 - team work ability (skills) inside and outside the health facilities
 - e-health tools to allow for sharing of medical records and to improve communication with all the health stakeholders
 - Adequate resources (financial, staff, medical equipment, medical and soft skills etc.)
 - Capacity-building and experience-sharing initiatives to support PHC facilities at all the stage of implementation
 - introducing and developing population management tools to support managers to monitor effectiveness of its facilities.



Lessons learned from the pilot and future plans

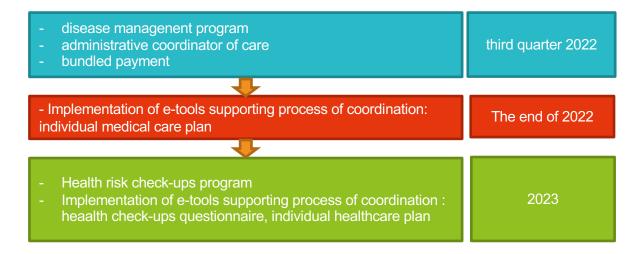
Future plans:

The 8th of July 2021 the Minister of Health established a team represented all the stakeholders to prepare recommendations of changes in primary health care based on the POZ PLUS pilot outcomes.

Recommendations of the team:

- the integrated care model will be implemented voluntarily and gradually by each facility in accordance with its capacity and business model
- first step:

Next step:







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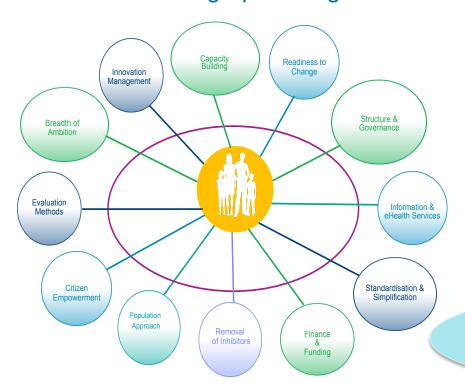


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Why?

Support is needed...

Tools / frameworks are needed that can help us to understand the local conditions and context enabling the successful adoption and scaling-up of integrated care.





Maturity Model for Integrated Care

Local context matters...



Who are we?



Budget: €2,649,587

Start: 1 January 2019

End: February 2022

9 Health and Social Care Authorities:

- Flanders Agency for Health and Care, Belgium
- Optimedis, Germany
- ▶ AReSS Puglia, Italy
- Vilnius University Hospital, Latvia
- ▶ National Health Fund, Poland
- Digital Health & Care Directorate,
 Scottish Government (Coordinator)
- Safarik University, Slovakia
- Social Protection Institute of the Republic of Slovenia
- Osakidetza, Basque Country, Spain

3 Universities and Competence Centers

- University of Edinburgh, Scotland
- University of Valencia, Spain
- Kronikgune, Basque Country, Spain

2 Membership Organisations

- ► EHTEL (European Health Telematics Association), Belgium
- AER (Assembly of European regions),
 France





Objectives of SCIROCCO Exchange

What?

1.Maturity assessment for integrated care

Priorities for improvement: strengths and weaknesses of local environment for integrated care

2. Capacity-building assets

Access to existing evidence

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4. Improvement Plans

Co-designing technical assistance tailored to the maturity and local context



3. Knowledge transfer

Capacity-building support

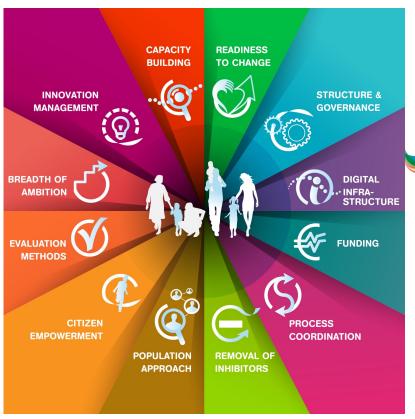




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2016





2019

Online self-assessment tool

to assess the readiness for the adoption and scaling-up of integrated care





Capturing Maturity Level

Objectives

If the existing systems of care need to be re-designed to provide a more integrated services, this will require change across many levels, the creation of new roles, processes and working practices, and new systems to support information sharing ar collaboration across care teams. This will be disruptive and make viewed negatively by workers, press and public, so a cleacase needs to be made for those changes, including justification, a strategic plan, and a vision of better care.

Assessment scale

- 0- No acknowledgment of compelling need to change
- 1– Compelling need is recognised, but no clear vision or strate plan
- 2- Dialogue and consensus-building underway; plan be developed
- 3- Vision or plan embedded in policy; leaders and champions emerging
- 4– Leadership, vision and plan clear to the general public; pressure for change
- 5- Political consensus; public support; visible stakeholder engagement

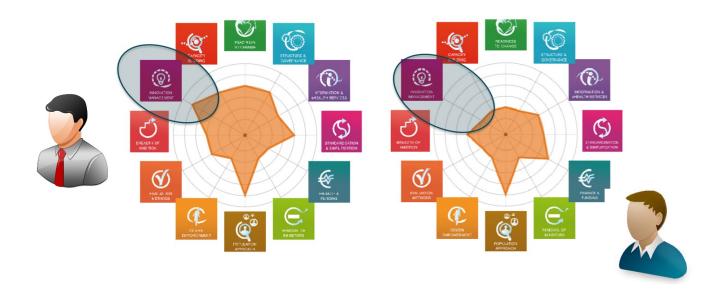






Capture stakeholders' perceptions and experience

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Facilitate multidisciplinary discussions and dialogue

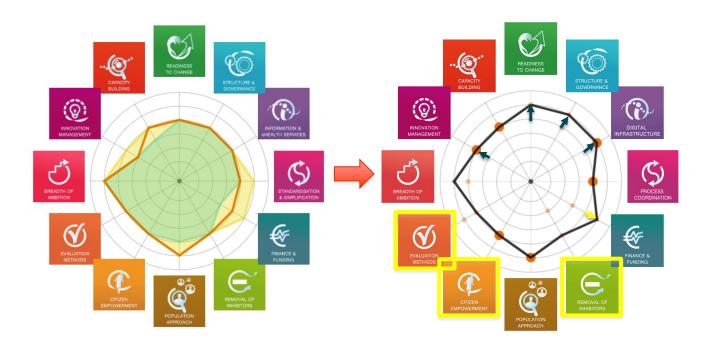
Can we agree on common priorities?

Exchange Discuss There is a dedicated funding for integrated care and support for large-scale deployment. There is no dedicated funding available for integrated care Funding is available but mostly for the piloting of Integrated care solutions



Inform about the evolution of the maturity of the system

Example from the Basque Country



2017 2019



Flexibility of the assessment

National level

Poland:
Assessing the maturity of primary care zones in delivering integrated care



Regional

Basque Country: Assessing the maturity of healthcare system, including coordination with social care services

Flanders: Assessing the maturity of integrated care services by VIVEL or Primary Care Institute

Germany: Assessing the maturity of a newly implemented integrated care system with a focus on digital health technologies

Lithuania: Assessing the maturity of primary care providers in delivering integrated care



Local

Puglia: Assessing the maturity of the six local healthcare authorities in delivering integrated care

Scotland: Assessing the maturity of implementing integrated care in one selected Joint Integration Board

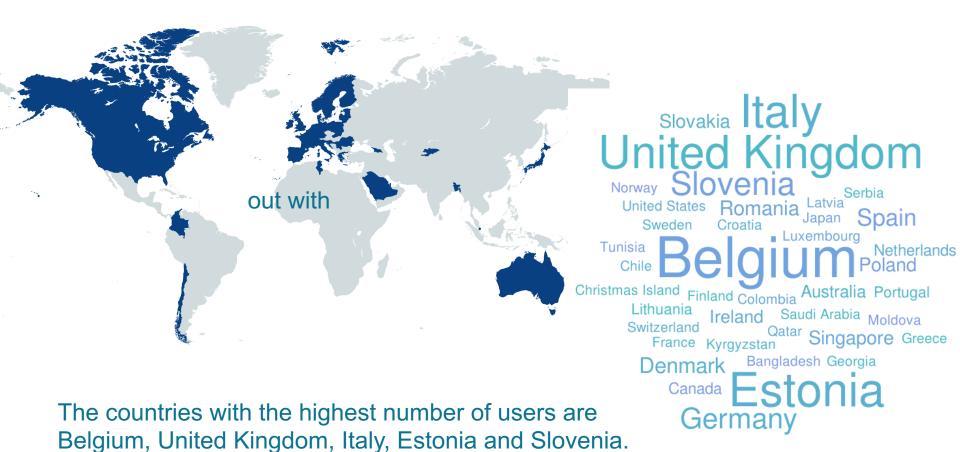
Slovenia: Assessing the maturity of health and social care integration in one municipality



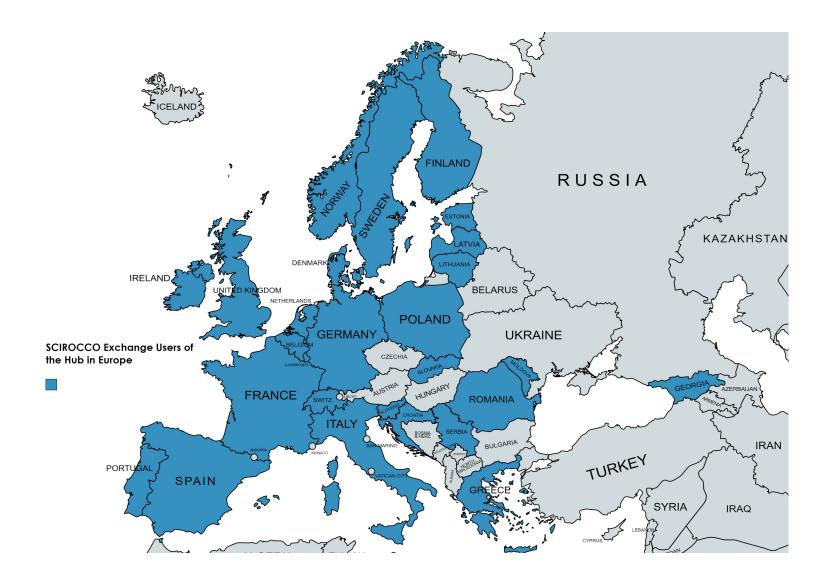


SCIROCCO Exchange Community

The hub has been used in 40 different countries, an increase of 5 additional countries since the Project Assembly in November 2021, now with 738 unique users.









Expansion of SCIROCCO Exchange Tool for Integrated Care https://scirocco-exchange-tool.inf.ed.ac.uk



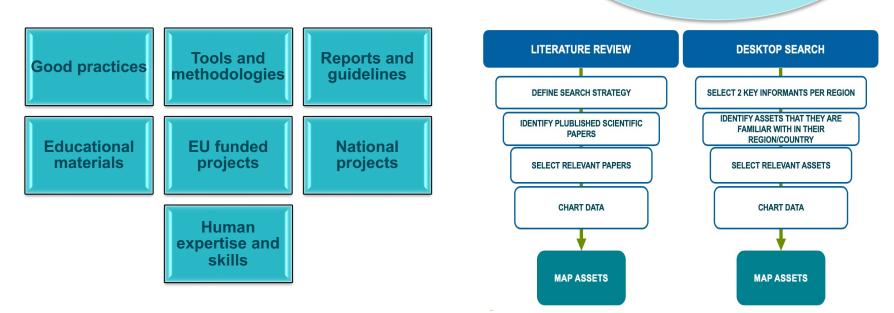




1654 assets mapped 654 assets linked to the Hub

Facilitative Tool

2. Existing evidence/assets on integrated care



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Example: Population Approach dimension

Assessment scale	MRL	
0 – Population health approach is not applied to the provision of integrated care services	0	BC's strategy on Chronicity
1 – Population-wide risk stratification considered but not started	1	
2 – Risk stratification approach is used in certain projects on an experimental basis	2	A guide on Risk Stratification tools
3 – Risk stratification used for specific groups i.e. those who are at risk of becoming frequent service users –	3	Pilot Project evaluation
4 – A population risk approach is applied to integrated care services but not yet systematically or to the full population	4	White Paper of the ASSEHS project
5 – Whole population stratification deployed and fully implemented.	5	2016-2020 Health Services Strategic Plan



Facilitative Tool

Outcomes of the maturity assessment



Dimensions for improvement & learning







3. Knowledge Transfer

Potential dimensions for coaching of other regions/countries







Study visits
Twinning & coaching
Mentoring
Exchange of professionals
Educational webinars
Awareness raising events

9 co-designed knowledge transfer programmes 26 knowledge transfer activities



Provide basis for further improvement



3. Improve

9 co-designed improvement plans



Logic Model Example – WMK (Germany)

Focus Area: Digital Infrastructure

Input

- Organizational leadership
- Staff support Funding
- Partnership with local health management, health insurance. providers and patients

Activities

- Training providers on EMR use Training health navigators and citizens on usage
- of digital platform Engagements with partners to alian on digitalization strategy
 - Bilateral peer to peer learning sessions with digitally-enabled partners

- # of providers trained % of providers integrating EMR into workflow
- # of navigators and citizens trained
- % utilization Meaningful
- SME peers # of P2P

Output

- relationships built with partners and
- exchanges

Outcomes

- Increased comfort and skills in utilizing the digital platform
- harmonization
- Information flow between providers and patients streamlined
- Relationships with digital health SME maintained

Impact

- Patient centered care embedded in organizational culture
- Resilient and learning healthcare system that in responsive to population health needs





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SPOTLIGHT ON THE MATURITY ASSESSMENT PROCESS

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The Scirocco Tool for Integrated Care

► Ever since the Scirocco Project, has been facilitating the scaling up of Integrated Care by:

Defining Maturity to adopt Integrated Care
Assessing the Maturity of Healthcare Systems

Assessing the Maturity Requirements of Good Practices

► Link to the tool: https://scirocco-exchange-tool.inf.ed.ac.uk



Defining Maturity: The Integrated Care Maturity Model

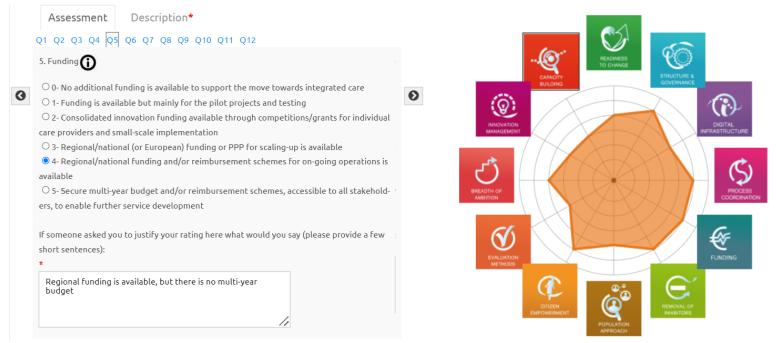
Groups Integrated Care activities into 12 dimensions, each with objectives and a 0-5 rating scale allowing evaluation on that dimension.





Assessing Healthcare System Maturity: The Scirocco Project

- Main idea: including the Maturity Model in a form and offering a synchronised visual representation (spider diagram) can help record an expert's opinion on Integrated Care maturity.
- Additionally, justifications can support their point of view





Assessing Healthcare System Maturity: The Scirocco Project

 Consensus between experts (max 5) can then be reached dimension-by-dimension through discussion





Assessing Healthcare System Maturity: The Scirocco Project

- The tool supports consensus discussions visually
- The consensus assessment can be recorded on the tool





Assessing Healthcare System Maturity: The Scirocco Project

- Both private and consensus assessments can be shared
- Sharers can be editors or viewers; only one editor at a time: the owner

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Assessing Healthcare System Maturity: The Scirocco Project

- ▶ A methodology for performing healthcare system maturity was also proposed during the Scirocco Project:
 - 1. Local organisers **identify local experts** to be involved in the assessment
 - 2. The experts **individually perform the assessment** by filling in a questionnaire on the Scirocco tool
 - 3. The experts share their individual questionnaires with the organisers
 - 4. A workshop is organised to discuss and reach a consensus amongst the different experts about the maturity of the healthcare system



Updates in Scirocco Exchange

- The Maturity Model improved according to user feedback and localized: currently translated in 10 languages
- 2. Online guidance and improved wording on assessment/sharing
- 3. More intuitive next steps when saving a private assessment

Your assessment was successfully updated	
What would you like to do next?	
ontinue editing	
OSave as private assessment	
OShare assessment with other users	
OShare assessment with all SCIROCCO Exchange partners	
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Updates in Scirocco Exchange

4. Sharing mechanism updated to allow:

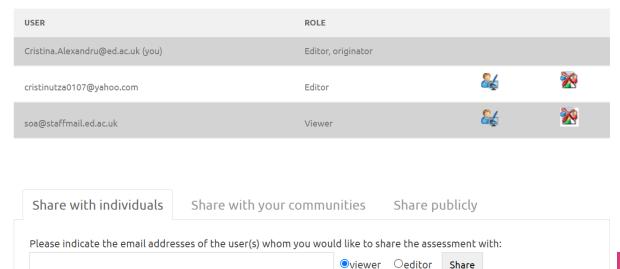
Selecting several individuals to share with at once, as editor or viewer

Sharing with pre-set communities of individuals

Sharing publicly with all registered users (as viewers only)

Multiple editors, originator of assessment always an editor, only allowing one editor to edit an assessment at once (lock mechanism)

Users who share assessment CAlexBasque Country,4





Updates in Scirocco Exchange

5. Consensus assessments can include comparison of >5 private answers through use of blob alternative representation.

Consensus Maturity Assessment This page allows you to reach a consensus amongst your team as to the level of maturity of your region/country with regards to integrated care, considering the views of the different individual respondents or sub-teams. Legend Total of 6 responses selected. See individual assessments Voted by 1-25% respondents (1 respondent(s)) Voted by 26-50% respondents (2 respondent(s)) Voted by 51-75% respondents (3 respondent(s)) Voted by 76-100% respondents (4-6 respondent(s)) Questions marked with * are compulsory. Please fill in the 'Assessment' tab, and then the 'Country/region' tab. Assessment name (optionally, provide your name or stakeholder group): Cons-Norrbotten, Swe 10chars max Assessment Country/region* D1 D2 D3 D4 D5 D6 D7 D8 D9 D10 D11 D12 1. Readiness to Change O 0- No acknowledgement of compelling need to change O 1- Compelling need is recognised, but no clear vision or strategic plan O 2- Dialogue and consensus-building underway; plan being developed (Voted by 1) 3- Vision or plan embedded in policy; leaders and champions emerging (Voted by 2) O 4- Leadership, vision and plan clear to the general public; pressure for change (Voted by O 5- Political consensus; public support; visible stakeholder engagement (Voted by 1) If someone asked you to justify your rating here what would you say (please provide a few Justifications from respondents ranking 2 Justifications from respondents ranking 3 Justifications from respondents ranking 4 Justifications from respondents ranking 5 We decided to go with the arguments of the majority.



Assessment in Practice

Healthcare system assessments were performed in 9 Scirocco Exchange Regions:

Basque Country, Spain

Flanders, Belgium

Poland

Puglia, Italy

Scotland, UK

Kosice region, Slovakia

Municipality of Trbovlje, Slovenia

Lithuania

Germany

Each region adapted the methodology



Assessment in practice- 2 very different approaches

1. Basque Country: a top-down approach

- ► Experts were guided through a presentation (introducing the project, the objectives and the process of the self-assessment in the Basque Country) and supportive documents (last model of the Maturity Model in Spanish, a user manual for the Tool, agenda of the Consensus workshop).
- Well-structured consensus workshop including 2 rounds of negotiation and consensus building followed by reflection on the process

2. Flanders: Roll out to primary care zones

- Flanders is reforming health and care delivery
- Creation of Primary Care Zones
- Roll out maturity assessment over a large number of zones assessing each for maturity.

More in next presentations...









MATURITY ASSESSMENT IN POLAND

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INTEGRATED CARE in POLAND - Primary Care Pilot Program POZ PLUS



Management (coordination)

Monitoring, Evaluation Improvements in organization/technology



Current offer of care



Disease management program for PHC patients diagnosed for 11 selected chronic diseases



Health checkups program for all patients in PHC

Team: GP, nurse, midwife, out-patient specialists, Coordinator,

Health educator, dietician, psychologist

- ▶ 47 primary healthcare centers (PHC) accros Poland
- ▶ Duration: more then 3 years, from 1st July 2018
- Population: 300 000 patients



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Readiness for integrated care in Poland

- process of SCIROCCO Maturity Assessment

- ▶The survey has been translated from English into Polish
- ▶In order to provide more detailed information from respondents, **additional questions** were created for each of the 12 dimensions,
- ▶It was decided to carry out a maturity assessment by means of **individual interviews** with the help of qualified interviewers
- ▶Respondents were asked to provide examples of actions, events, tools or organizational solutions taken (or not) so that the interviewers could **assign scores** as accurately as possible.
- ▶Employees of Primary Health Centres taking part in pilot POZ PLUS project were interviewed

(medical personel, executives of Centres and employee of IT department)

- ▶The research was conducted by 2 interviewers employees of NHF
- ▶There were **39** Primary Healthcare Centres which took part in the interviews
- ▶There were **93** interviews conducted (2 or 3 respondents from each centre -)







Readiness for integrated care in Poland - results



"small" PHC 14 providers with 39 296 patients taken care of



"medium" PHC 19/17 providers with 133 722 patients taken care of



"large" PHC 6 providers with 84 728 patients taken care of



Readiness for integrated care in Poland strengths and weaknesses

Key strengths:

The first comprehensive healthcare provider assessment of maturity for integration performed - a benchmark for future research

Assessment of the maturity of primary health care facilities using the SCIROCCO tool facilitates the comparability of results

The use of a spider diagram enables comparisons between institutions (in Poland and abroad) and facilitates matching activities in order to increase the maturity

Weaknesses:

Low level of understanding the questions, the support of the interviewers is necessary in the first phase

The long and multi-stage survey aroused the reluctance of participants to spend 1 hour on research



What is your ambition in future?



- Scaling up the Scirocco Maturity Model in Poland- solution proven during the Scirocco Exchange project on 40 providers In the new financial perspective (Cohesion Policy 2021-2027 in Europe), the National Health Fund submitted to the Polish Ministry of Health a proposal to implement a project to assess the maturity of subsequent primary care facilities for the implementation of coordinated care.
- ► The experience gathered thanks to the Scirocco Exchange project will allow the National Health Fund to use it for further evaluation of integrated care among service providers.
- ▶ Develop the NHF Knowledge Transfer HUB a Polish repository of good practices containing Polish experiences and translated (fully / partially) experiences of other countries, which are also supplied by the Scirocco Exchange Knowledge Managemet HUB.
- Organizing the webinars, meetings with providers, study visits, bilateral international workshops to help healthcare providers to increase their level of coordinated care maturity









MATURITY ASSESSMENT IN FLANDERS (BELGIUM)

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VIVEL



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Integrated care in Flanders

"Integrated care is a concept bringing together inputs, delivery, management and organization of services related to diagnosis, treatment, care, rehabilitation and health promotion. Integration is a means to improve services in relation to access, quality, user satisfaction and efficiency." –

Definition WHO

Quintuple Aim



need to be made for the most

Michael Matheny, Sonoo Thadaney Israni, Mahnoor Ahmed, and Danielle Whicher, Editors. 2019, Artificial Intelligence in Health Care: The Hope, the Hype, the Promise, the Pelft, MAN Special Publication. Washington CP. National Academy of Medicine. Translated, adapted, and reproduced with permission from the National Academy of Sciences, Courtey of the National Academiese Press, Washington, D.C.





Readiness for integrated care in Flanders





Readiness for integrated care in Flanders

Strengths:

Little golden nuggets of good practices & small innovations

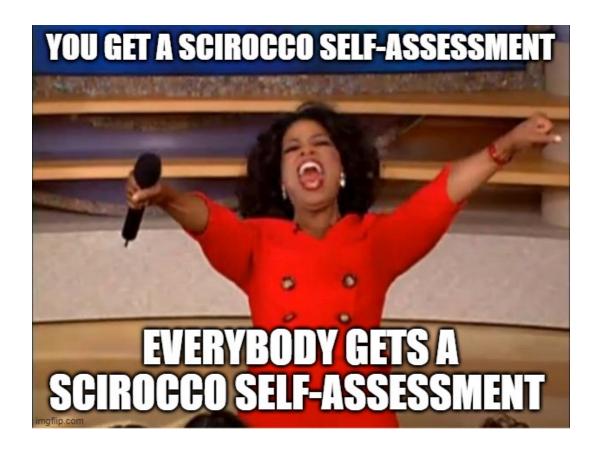
"As a representative of the informal caregivers, I was apprehensive about the discussion and my expectations were low, as this seemed to be mainly about collaboration between care professionals. But I had a very good feeling about the consensus meeting."

<u>Weaknesses</u>

- Trust is key and influences the scoring and discussions
- Attribution bias: "we're doing a great job vs. the government(s) have to fix this mess"



What is your ambition in future?











MATURITY ASSESSMENT AT THE LOCAL LEVEL IN SLOVENIA

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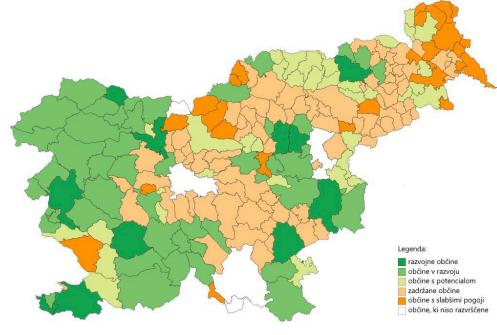
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Integrated care in Slovenia

- ➤ Integration of social and health care services and sectors in LTC (both, vertical and horizontal).
- Better home care (prioritising home care); more health and social services at home; coordination.
- Municipalities (212) are responsible for social services.



> Local level as the opportunity to test the Scirocco tool (bottom-up).



Readiness for integrated care at the local level

Municipality of Trbovlje

- 8 assessments from 8 organisations
- 8 representatives from 6 organisations attended the workshop

Municipality with worse conditions and less successful when performing social care at home

Municipality of Domžale

- 14 assessments from 14 organisations
- 12 representatives from 12 organisations attended the workshop

Municipality, which, based on the needs assessment analysis, approached the development of a local strategy in the field of health and active aging

 Stakeholders most familiar with the challenges of LTC in the municipality (representatives of centre for social work, municipality, health care centre, social home care providers, care homes, NGO's (senior's association, etc.)



Readiness for integrated care at the local level

Municipality of Trbovlje



Municipality of Domžale



- Local diversity in maturity of integrated care
- Space for improvement



Readiness for integrated care at the local level

- ► Flexible tool
- Consensus building workshop as a crucial step



Local vs. national level (bottom – up approach)



Steps in the future

- Promoting the use of the Scirocco Tool in other local environments in Slovenia.
- The Scirocco Tool could also be applied on the national level and can be adjusted accordingly.
- ► LTC act was adopted in December 2021.















SCIROCCO EXCHANGE FINAL CONFERENCE – MAY 2022

Insights from a Swiss nationwide survey using the SCIROCCO tool

Séverine Schusselé Filliettaz & Isabelle Peytremann-Bridevaux

Agenda

Context

Switzerland

Methods

Study design & Population Comparison with the usual SCIROCCO process

- Results
- **Discussion**

Open access Original research

BMJ Open Healthcare system maturity for integrated care: results of a Swiss nationwide survey using the **SCIROCCO** tool

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Objectives To assess the maturity of the Swiss healthcare system for integrated care and to explore whether this maturity varied according to several variables. Design A Swiss nationwide individual electronic survey in

Setting and population Stakeholders identified via lists of the Swiss Forum for Integrated Care and of the integrated care unit of the Swiss Federal Office of Public Health, and representatives of 26 cantonal public health departments, were invited to participate.

Primary outcome measure The outcome was the

maturity of the Swiss healthcare system for integrated care, measured with the Scaling Integrated Care in Context maturity model tool (SCIROCCO tool), which comprises 12 dimensions and questions rated on a 6-point scale. Analysis Univariate analyses were first performed, followed by bivariate analyses, to find out whether maturity varied according to working linguistic region, healthcare profession, main domain of professional activity, implication in integrated care, attitude towards integrated care and attitude towards the Swiss healthcare system. Results The 642 respondents were 53.7 years on average. 42.5% were women, 60.0% and 20.7% worked in the German and French-speaking parts of Switzerland, respectively. Overall, the maturity of the Swiss healthcare system for integrated care was evaluated as low, with dimension means ranging from 1.0 (±1.0) for the 'Funding' dimension to a maximum of 2.7 (±1.1) for 'eHealth Services'. Results only varied according to the

working linguistic region. Conclusions Results highlight a limited maturity of the Swiss healthcare system for integrated care, as assessed at a national level by a large and varied number of healthcare stakeholders. They represent important information for the further development of integrated care in Switzerland, and should help identify areas requiring attention for a successful transformation of the Swiss healthcare system towards more integrated care.

Since the late 1990s, healthcare systems have been facing the challenge of preventing and managing chronic diseases and their related societal and individual burden. Since then, integrated care has emerged as a way to overcome

Strengths and limitations of this study

- ► The Scaling Integrated Care in Context (SCIROCCO) maturity model tool is a validated instrument targeting the maturity of healthcare system for integrated care, the results of which may support the implementation and further expansion of integrated care at the system and organisational level.
- The SCIROCCO tool has not been previously used at a nationwide level; in Switzerland, more than 600 healthcare stakeholders took part in a national electronic survey.
- We used the SCIROCCO tool in conditions different than those in which it was originally developed, without the consensus-like method which encourages discussion and sharing of experiences among smaller groups of key participants; the latter may also allow a common understanding and interpretation of the content of the dimensions and response
- Due to the complexity of the Swiss health system. individual respondents of a large-scale survey may lack comprehensive knowledge of all dimensions.

the overall fragmentation of healthcare services, and various initiatives have been implemented across and within countries.2 Despite common overall goals, often aligned with the triple aim (ie, population health, quality of care/care experiences, costs),3 integrated care initiatives are very heterogeneous because of their context dependency.4 In fact, they often differ in terms of target populations, type of healthcare professionals and healthcare system levels involved. scope, components and size, among others. Additionally, integrated care initiatives often remain at the pilot stage as they present scaling up difficulties and limited transferability and replicability.2 For these reasons, understanding barriers and facilitators of the implementation and scaling up of integrated care programmes has been the focus of several comprehensive European projects.5-

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Context

Federal country26 cantonal health systems

Three linguistic areas German-speaking French-speaking Italian-speaking

Integrated care Heterogeneity Local / cantonal specificities

(n=155)(Switzerland 2015-2016) TG BL AG ow NW UR GR

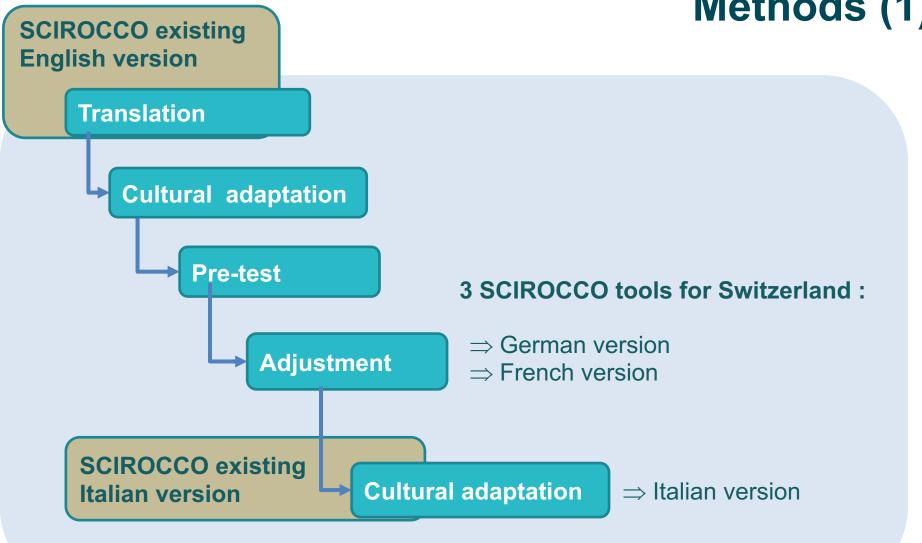
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Source: Enquête suisse sur les soins intégrés (2016)

Number of integrated care initiatives in Swiss cantons



Methods (1)





METHODS (2)

Study design

SCIROCCO Switzerland 2019

Individual online survey (indep. from Scirocco platform)

Usual SCIROCCO process

Interactive and iterative process (=>consensus)

Population

Nationwide stakeholders

Integrated care

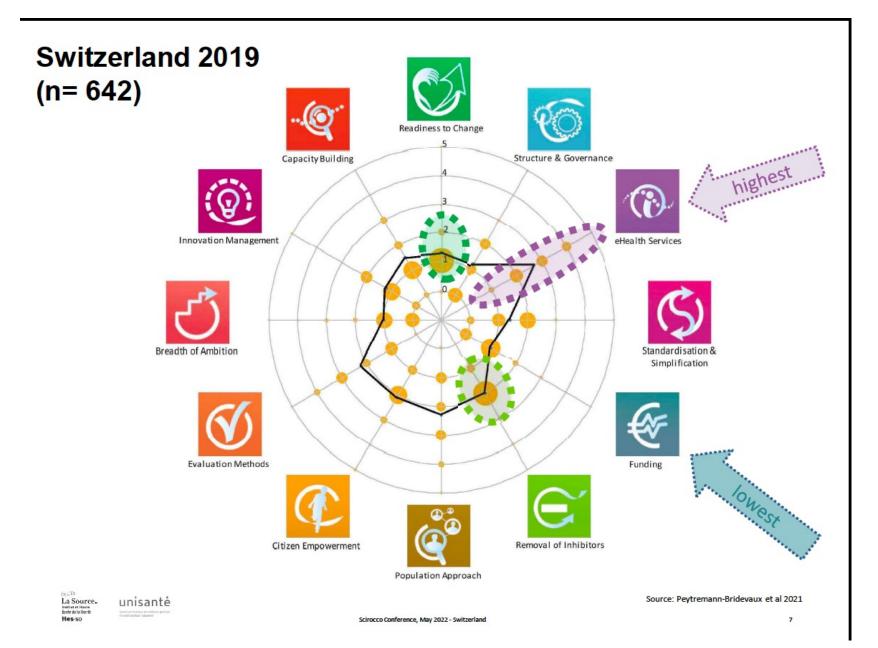
Public health authorities

Targeted and context-specific group of stakeholders

Respondents' characteristics (n=642)

Professions	 Healthcare providers: 35.8 % Directors of institutions: 27.7 %
Professional activity	University hospital: 22.1 %Independent: 19.4 %
Working linguistic region	 German-speaking part: 60.0 % French-speaking part: 20.7 % Italian-speaking part: 19.3 %
Attitude towards the Swiss healthcare system	 Implication in integrated care: 53.5 % Complete / Major change needed in Swiss healthcare system: 85.1 %







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Discussion & conclusion

Advantages of an online survey	 More respondents
	Broader maturity assessment
	Easier data collection
Disadvantages of an online survey	 Increased dispersion Knowledge of local context vs federal Local maturity = federal maturity No consensus building process
Scirocco as an online survey	PicturePart of a participatory processMore centralised country



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Capacity-building assets for further collaboration/continuation of different helath and social care actors?







MATURITY ASSESSMENT: LESSONS LEARNED

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Experience with self-assessment process

POSITIVE ASPECTS

- Individual assessments followed by a consensus meeting rated as the most positive aspect of the tool.
- SCIROCCO tool facilitates the reflection on integrated care. It supports both creative and critical thinking about integrated care.
- The self-assessment process facilitates discussion among different levels of stakeholder groups. It facilitates interdisciplinary discussion, and it is very useful to synthesize different visions.
- These discussions help to align theoretical integrated care implementation process with current practice.





Experience with self-assessment process

IMPROVEMENT ASPECTS

- Language issues: a better translation considering the context was suggested.
- The web-tool is not easy to be used for everyone (support is needed).
- Better description of the tool dimensions and scores.
 Difficulties in distinguishing the scoring level and some dimensions are described less clearly than others.
- The tool presents complex terms, and support and explanations need to be provided during the self-assessment.





- Insights and outcomes of the self-assessment process
- The self-assessment provides useful information, it enfolds blind spots.
- The final matrix reflects the system situation, it presents a clear picture of health and care systems for integrated care.
- The self-assessment is very important to analyse data and translate them into corrective actions in a faster way.
- The **conclusions** extracted from the selfassessment **must be shared with all key actors** (the whole department, the general director, the municipality, at coordination and policy levels).
- Even though it's a subjective tool, it allows comparison between different systems.





- Improvement aspects for the effective implementation of Integrated Care
- A lack of clear constructive communication and knowledge-sharing between all the groups of stakeholders (government; specialists; PHCC; patients, etc.) was highlighted as a problem.
- Importance of hearing from the uninterested people (people who are not involved in the day-to-day management).
- Consistent and sustainable action plans (strategy) and a simpler pathway of information for integrated care on health and care system were underlined as needed.
- Political support or financing mechanisms beyond projects are limited.
- Working together across organisational boundaries to progress.











Faciliated discussion



COFFEE BREAK

10.40 - 11.00CET



FROM MATURITY ASSESSMENT TO CAPACITY-BUILDING SUPPORT: ASSETS ON INTEGRATED CARE



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Objectives of SCIROCCO Exchange

1.Maturity assessment for integrated care

Priorities for improvement: strengths and weaknesses of local environment for integrated care

2. Capacity-building assets

Access to existing evidence

SCIROCCO Exchange Knowledge Management Hub



4. Improvement Plans

Co-designing technical assistance tailored to the maturity and local context



3. Knowledge transfer

Capacity-building support







WP6 CAPACITY-BUILDING ASSETS

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Capacity building assets Objectives

- 1. Map the existing assets and evidence on integrated care at international, European, national and regional levels
- Identify and tailor relevant capacity-building assets on integrated care that help to address the needs and priorities of nine European regions
- 3. Facilitate the integration of identified capacity-building assets with the SCIROCCO Exchange Knowledge Management Hub (KMH)



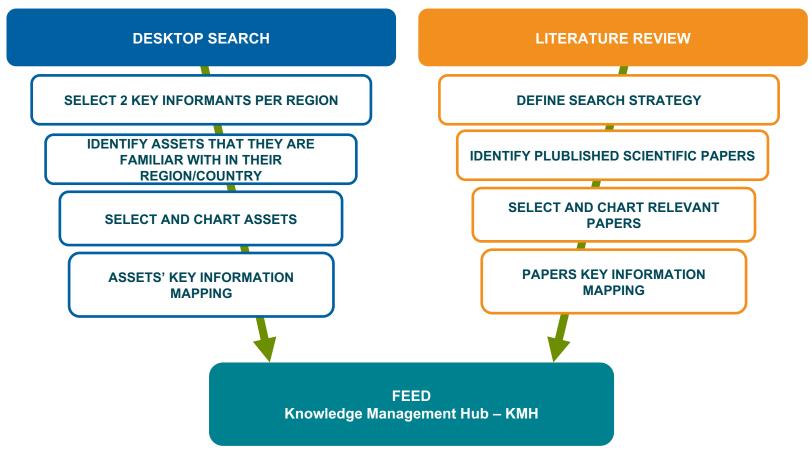
Capacity building assets **Definition**

"Capacity-building assets are available resources and evidence that support stakeholders to increase context' maturity for integrated health and social care in the twelve dimensions of the SCIROCCO Maturity Model"



Mapping strategy

Objective: Find and select capacity-building assets that are associated with the twelve SCIROCCO Maturity Model's dimensions.





Mapping strategy

Assets selection criteria and sources

Desktop search	Literature review
Inclusion criteria: Related to integrated care Linkable to at least one of the SCIROCCO Maturity Model dimensions Timeframe: 10 years Accessible (non confidential, no drafts) Languages: English and SCIROCCO Exchange project participant regions' languages Geographic coverage: International Exclusion criteria: Published in traditional academic publishing and distribution channels Documents/resources still in draft status Confidential material under non-disclosure agreements	Inclusion criteria: Related to integrated care Linkable to at least one of the SCIROCCO Maturity Model dimensions Timeframe: 10 years Accessible (non confidential, no drafts) Languages: English Geographic coverage: International
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Charting

- ▶ **Objective:** Connect each asset to the dimension it links to a Scirocco Model dimension, and if possible, to a score of the assessment scale of the dimension it links to that could help a healthcare system to reach.
- Assets are charted based on:
 - The typology of the asset
 - The dimension/dimensions to which it is linked and
 - The Maturity Readiness Level (MRL) it could contribute to reaching.



Charting Type of assets

Literature review:

Scientific papers

Desktop search:

- Regulation and/or guidelines/"norms" document(s)
- Strategic and consultation document(s) (plans, green papers, white papers, ...)
- Report(s) (institutional, internal, technical, or statistical)
- Project document(s) (deliverables, products, outcomes, from regional, national or European and international projects, ...)
- ► Guidance document(s) (guidelines on implementation, evaluation, ...)
- Good practice(s)
- ► Tool(s) (planning, implementation, management, evaluation, software...)
- Technical and commercial documentation (brochures, manuals, leaflets, ...)



Charting **Dimension**

Qualitative Questions: The PS Model



P - Patient/Population/Problem

S- Situation

How do/does [P] experience

Integrated care (general): How do healthcare stakeholders deal with building integrated care?



How do healthcare stakeholders deal with fostering readiness to change from a fragmented model to an integrated one?



How do healthcare stakeholders deal with deploying population risk approach?



How do healthcare stakeholders deal with implementing changes at structural and at governance level for the integration of care system?



How do healthcare stakeholders deal with empowering citizens and including them in decision-making processes?



How do healthcare stakeholders deal with building digital infrastructure to support integrated care?



How do healthcare stakeholders deal with evaluating integrated care services?



How do healthcare stakeholders deal with ensuring available funding to support integrated care?



How do healthcare stakeholders deal with ambitioning integration of health and social care services?



How do healthcare stakeholders deal with implementing coordinated care processes for the effective deployment of integrated care?



How do healthcare stakeholders deal with managing innovation supporting integrated care?



How do healthcare stakeholders deal with withdrawing legal, organisational, financial, skill concerning and cultural barriers related with integrated care?



How do healthcare systems stakeholders deal with building capacity for integrated care?



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Charting Maturity Readiness Levels (MRL)

The MRL standardizes the scores of the dimensions' scales

- 1 Awareness-raised
- 2 Small-scale deployment and/or planning
- 3 Mid-scale deployment and/or initial institutionalisation
- 4 Large-scale deployment and/or extended institutionalisation
- 5 Full deployment and/or institutionalisation



Outcome management

Template forms to summarize key information

SCIROCCO Exchange asset - Real example

Type of asset: Strategic and consultation document

Dimension (s): D1 (Readiness to change)

MRL per dimensión (Desktop search): MRL5

Title: Strategy for Addressing Chronicity in the National Health system

Author (s): Ministry of Health, Social Services and Equality of the Basque Country

Year of publication: 2012

Region/Country: Basque Country, Spain

Source: Ministry of Health, Social Services and Equality of the Basque Country

Brief summary/Abstract/Executive summary:

Strategy for dealing with chronicity in the whole of the Spanish National Health System. The document aims to establish a set of objectives and recommendations for the National Health System to guide the organization of services towards improving the health of the population and its determinants, preventing health conditions and limitations in chronic activity and providing comprehensive and integrated health care.

Keywords: Chronicity, chronic strategy, integrated care

Access details:

https://www.mscbs.gob.es/organizacion/sns/planCalidadSNS/pdf/ESTRATEGIA_ABORDAJE_CRONICIDAD.pdf



Example: Population Approach dimension

Assessment scale	MRL
0 – Population health approach is not applied to the provision of integrated care services	0
1 – Population-wide risk stratification considered but not started	1
2 – Risk stratification approach is used in certain projects on an experimental basis	2
3 – Risk stratification used for specific groups i.e. those who are at risk of becoming frequent service users –	3
4 – A population risk approach is applied to integrated care services but not yet systematically or to the full population	4
5 – Whole population stratification deployed and fully implemented.	5



Desktop search- Final Results

Dimension	Assets		
D1 – Readiness to change		69	
D2 – Structure & Governance	85		
D3 – Digital infrastructure	47		
D4 – Funding	70		
D5 – Process Coordination		67	
D6 – Removal of Inhibitors		32	
D7 – Population approach		63	
D8 – Citizen empowerment		76	
D9 – Evaluation methods		47	
D10 – Breadth of Ambition		60	
D11 – Innovation management		65	
D12 – Capacity Building		71	
	Total	385	



Literature review

► Three searches:

- 1st search- Summer-Autum 2019
 - 4411 assets found
- 2nd search- after being revised search sentences Winter- Spring 2020
 - 1899 assets found
- 3rd search autumn –Winter 2021
 - 289 new assets identified from the alerts in the scientific databases

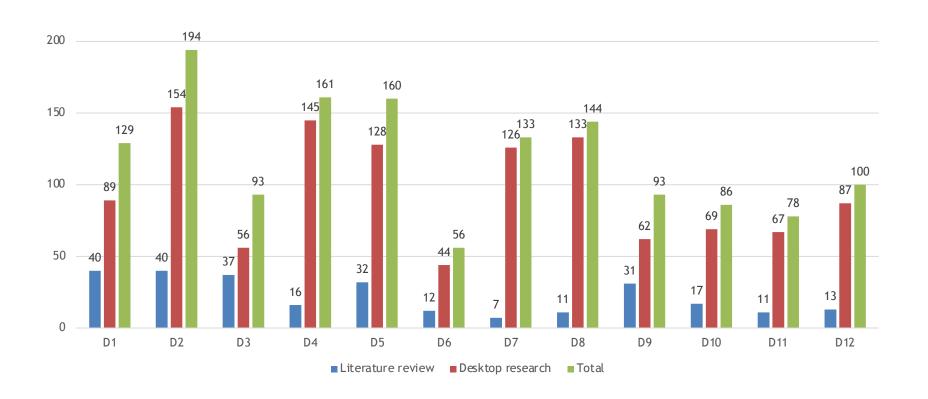


Literature review – Final Results

Dimension	2020 search	2021 search	Total
D1 - Readiness to change	36	4	40
D2 - Structure and governance	35	5	40
D3 - Digital infrastructure	29	8	37
D4 - Funding	16	0	16
D5 - Process coordination	25	7	32
D6 - Removal of inhibitors	11	1	12
D7 - Population approach	7	0	7
D8 - Citizen empowerment	10	1	11
D9 - Evaluation methods	26	5	31
D10 - Breadth of ambition	14	3	17
D11 - Innovation management	11	0	11
D12 - Capacity-building	12	1	13
Total	232	35	267



Capacity-building assets mapped against the dimensions





Conclusions and final remarks

- Mapping of capacity-building assets included searching, selecting and charting of assets against twelve dimensions of the SCIROCCO Maturity Model for Integrated Care.
- The two strategies to identify assets made it possible to identify, select, chart not only updated scientific evidence but also grey literature, often not easily retrievable
- A total of **654 assets were mapped**; 387 as a result of a desktop **s**earch and 267 of a literature review. Most of them were published or produced between years of 2015 and 2019.
- The objective for this assets mapping was that they will be used by European countries/regions in order to **improve the provision of integrated care in their systems** by more effective and tailored knowledge transfer, capacity-building support and improvement planning activities for integrated care.
- ► All capacity-building assets gathered in SCIROCCO Exchange project were uploaded and integrated with the SCIROCCO Exchange Knowledge Management Hub
- ► The challenge now is to analyse to what extent the assets are useful for the regions using the Krnowledme Managmeent Hub. We will be able to test this as they use them and assess their usefulness in advancing integrated care.









SPOTLIGHT ON USING ASSETS ON THE KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT HUB

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From the SCIROCCO Tool to the Knowledge Management Hub

- ► There is too much knowledge, evidence and experience around integrated care available—most of it is low relevance.
- ► The SCIROCCO Knowledge Management Hub creates a curated collection of assets that are meaningful to the community of users:
- Assets are linked to the dimensions and ratings of the SCIROCCO tool
- The Knowledge Hub supports:

Adding/editing

Searching and identifying

Adding to/editing collections

Sharing collections

Capturing experience with/ reviewing of assets that are potentially useful for a region



Adding Assets

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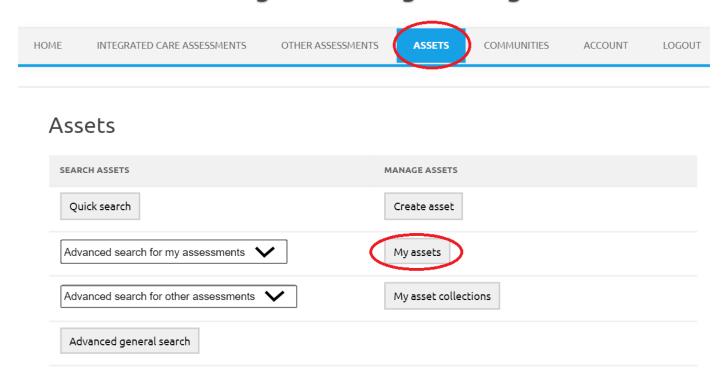
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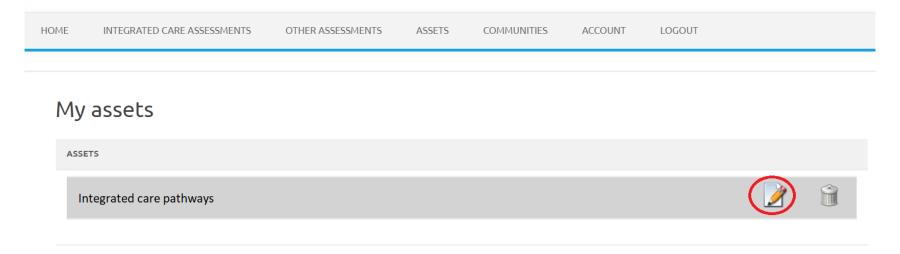
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Searching, Identifying Assets, Adding to Collections

Searching is about filtering the assets on the Knowledge Management Hub so we can find useful assets.

► For example:

- I am interested in assets that can help with improving my healthcare system's integrated care assessment for the first 2 dimensions:
 - Readiness to Change
 - Structure and Governance
- Current consensus assessment has ratings 1 and 0 respectively for them, so filtered assets should be describing ways of increasing these ratings (here, used term Maturity Readiness Level or MRL interchangeably with rating).
- I may want to search assets published in certain years when I know there were examples of innovation in these dimensions.
- For any identified assets that are potentially useful, I want to set up a collection which I can later keep adding to, review assets within, share with colleagues.



Searching, Identifying Assets, Adding to Collections

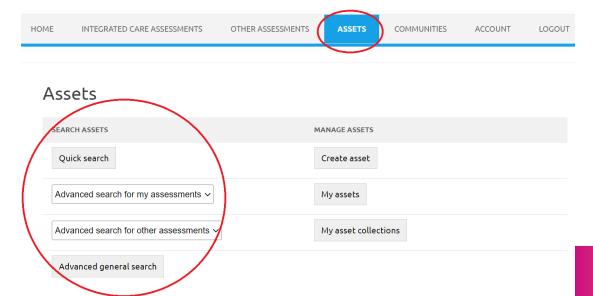
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Advanced search: including numerous search filters

- For the user's assessments (as originator)
- For other assessments that were shared with user
- Not associated to an assessment (advanced general search)

Quick search: all-in-one of above but with fewer filters

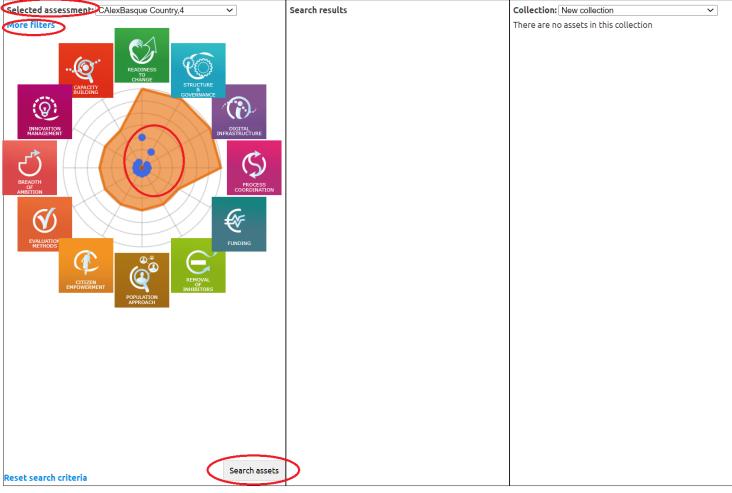
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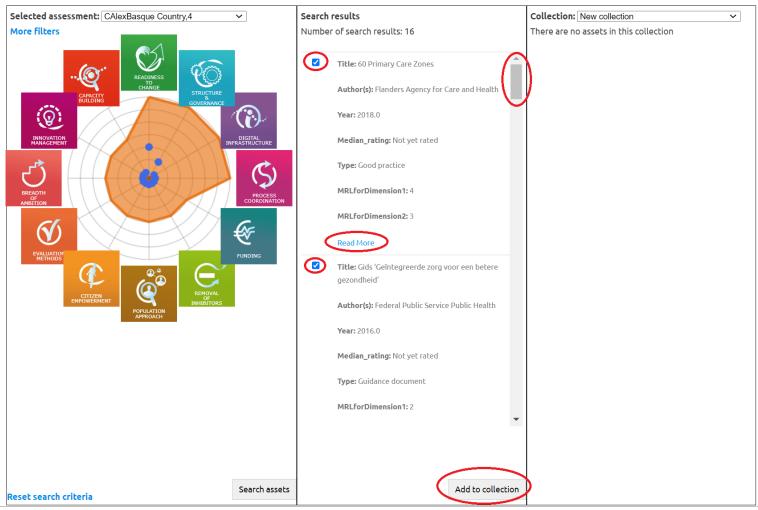
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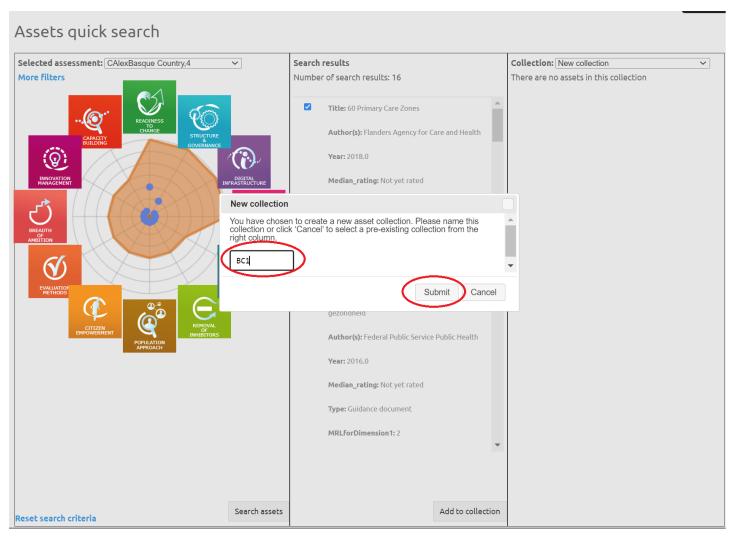




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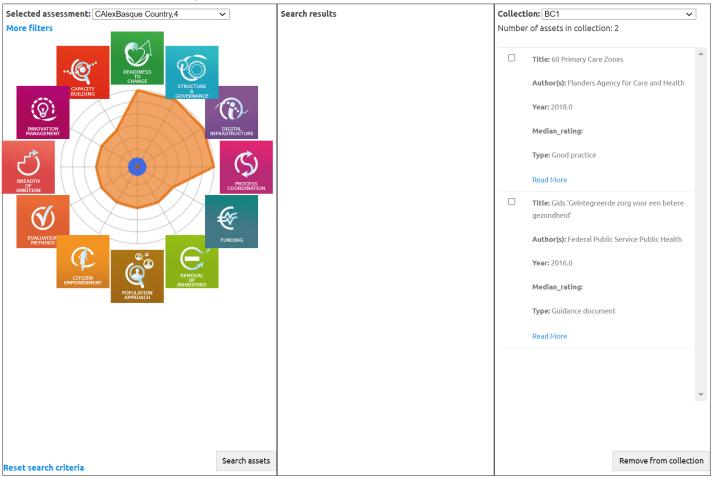




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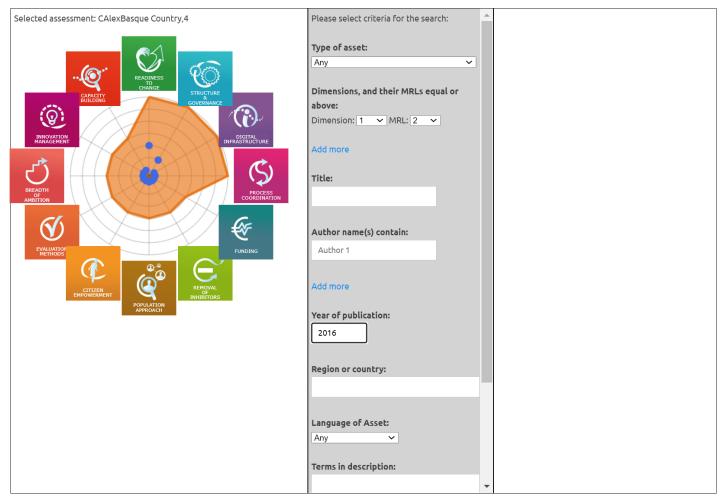
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Advanced Search: Overview

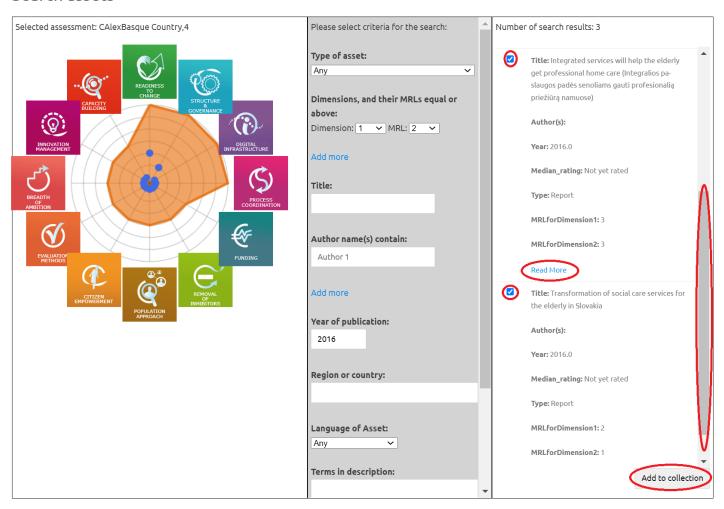
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Advanced Search: Overview

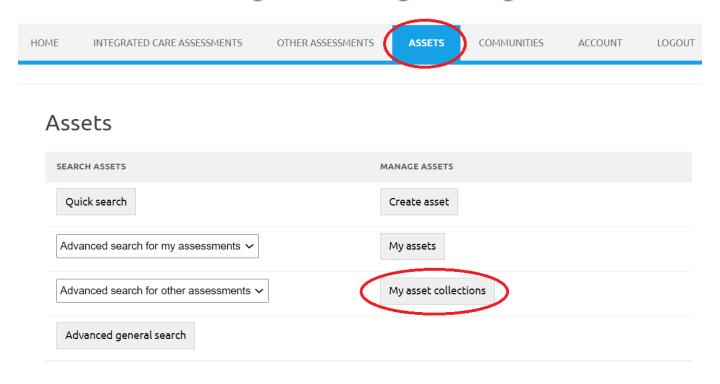
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Editing Asset Collections

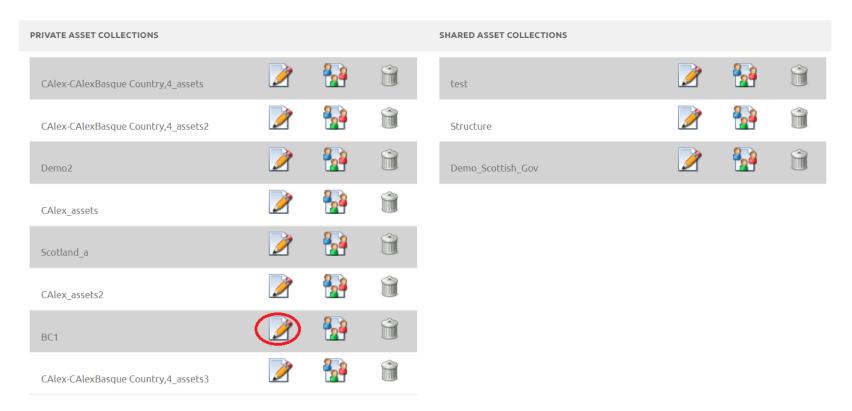
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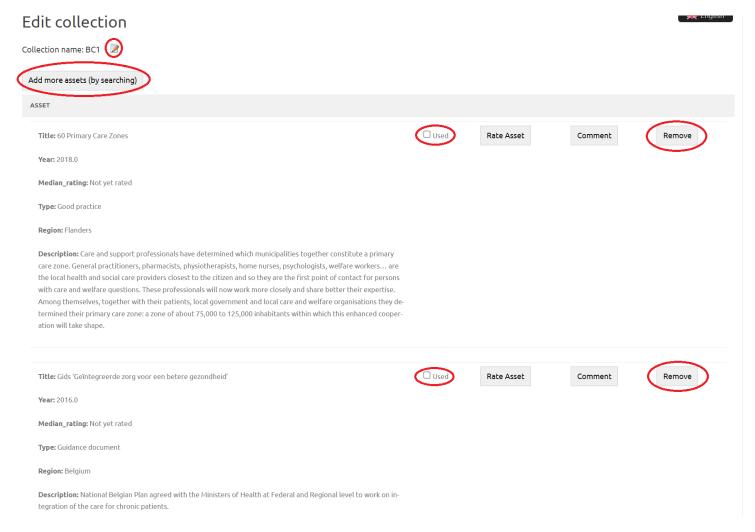
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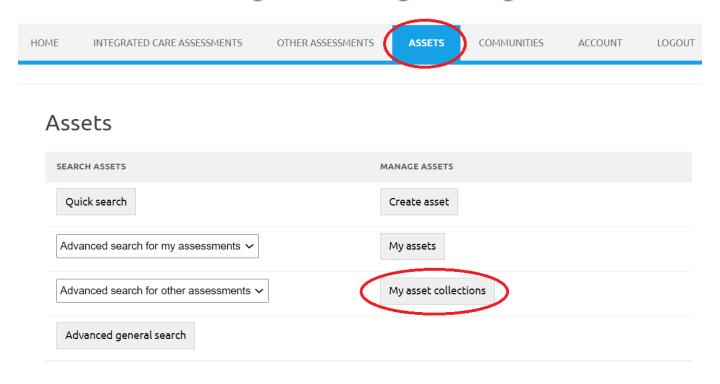
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Sharing Asset Collections

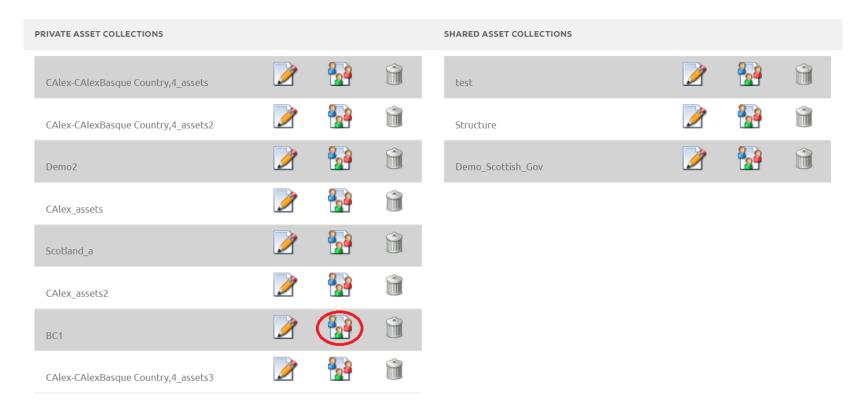
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Sharing asset collections

Asset collections





Sharing asset collections

Share Collection

If you are the editor of a collection, this page allows you to:

Share your collection with somebody else who has an account, by providing the person's email address and making he/she
an editor of the collection. You can later decide to un-share the collection with the person.

Users who share collection BC1

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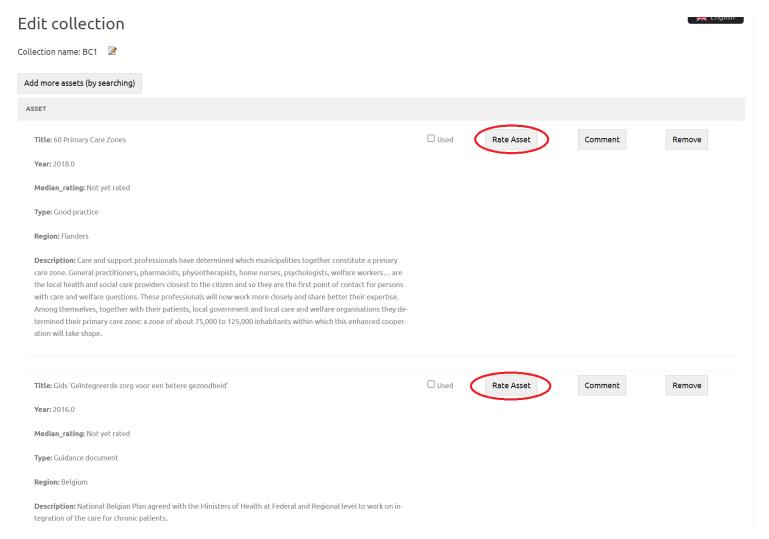


Examples:

- 1. Suppose we have found an asset that reviews implementation plans for feasibility. We use the asset on a current implementation plan and we find it is particularly strong on identifying issues in interactions between activities but is poor in identifying resourcing issues.
- 2. One class of asset is "innovative practice". Some innovative practices may result in improvements in the maturity dimensions of an adopting health system.
- The Hub has the capacity to record:
 - Ratings for assets

Comments related to assets, where users can record aspects of use, strengths and weaknesses, evidence of improvements in maturity resulting from the adoption of an asset.

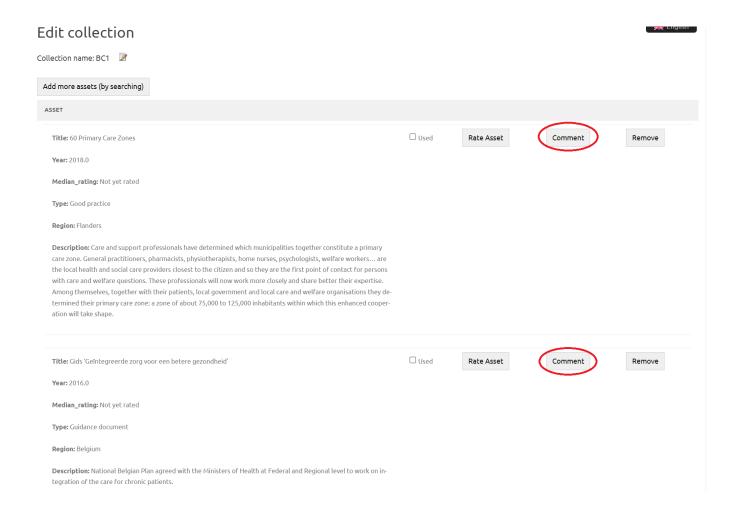






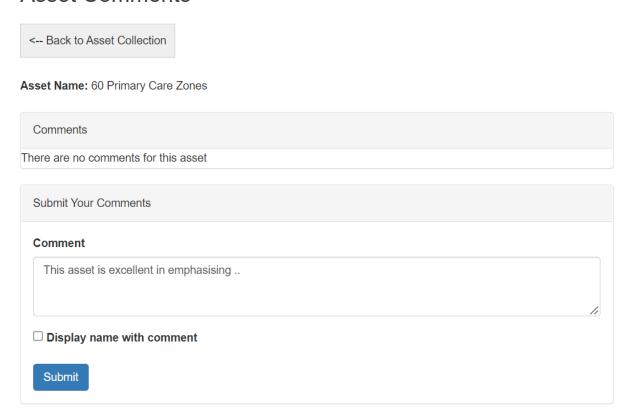








Asset Comments











FROM MATURITY ASSESSMENT TO PERSONALISED KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER

Birgit Sandu

Assembly of European Regions



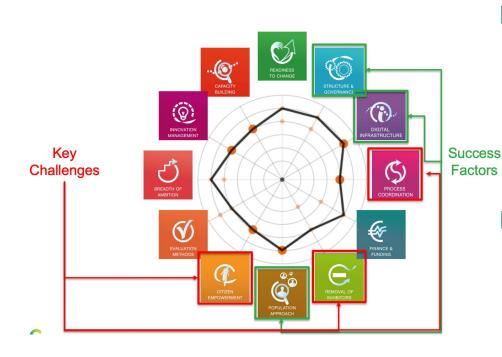
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Objectives:

- 1. To design bottom-up personalised assistance and practical support to tailor the local needs and priorities in the 9 European regions that are seeking support in preparing the ground for the transition and scaling-up of integrated care and / or to improve their existing system and service design
- 2. To facilitate the purposely designed knowledge transfer in the 9 European regions in order to prepare the local environment for the implementation and scaling-up of integrated care.



General approach: Evidence-based capacity-building support



- by the findings on the maturity of national, regional, and local healthcare systems and organisations for integrated care
- Results from the maturity
 assessment were employed to make
 an informed decision about what
 dimension(s) of integrated care they
 sought to strengthen through
 personalised knowledge transfer



Actors and roles in the knowledge transfer

Knowledge Transfer Programme among the 9 regional/national health authorities participating in the project

Transferring region

'Coaching' partner
Supported by local
stakeholders/ healthcare
professionals



Receiving region

'Learning' partner
Including local
stakeholders/ healthcare
professionals

▶ A Bi-directional exchange: regions/authorities act as 'coaching' partner for one+ dimension on which they are already advanced, and they are 'learning' partners for one+ dimension they wish to strengthen



Co-development of the Knowledge Transfer Programme: A co-creative process!

Select the dimension/aspect of integrated care for knowledge transfer

Co-desing of knowledge transfer activities

Implement knowledge transfer

Specify objectives and needs for knowledge transfer

Select type of knowledge transfer activity

Evaluate the implementation of knowledge transfer

Identify stakeholders participating in knowledge transfer Search & select capacity-building assets for knowledge transfer



Step 5: Menu of activities for knowledge transfer

Scirocco Exchange Knowledge Transfer programme

Expert mission to receiving region

Events in receiving region, or in other relevant place

Capacitybuilding
activities in
receiving region
or elsewhere if
relevant

Explanation

Study visit to transferring entity/ region Exchange, secondment or placement of staff

Examples

Explanation Practicalities

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Co-development of the Knowledge Transfer Programme: A co-creative process!

Select the **Implement** dimension/aspect Co-desing of of integrated care knowledge knowledge for knowledge transfer activities transfer transfer Specify objectives Evaluate the Select type of and needs for implementation of knowledge knowledge knowledge transfer activity transfer transfer Search & select Identify stakeholders capacity-building participating in assets for knowledge knowledge transfer transfer



Adaption of the knowledge transfer programme to the pandemic

- ▶ Regular and continuous assessment with each partner on the impact of the pandemic on the
 - Objectives
 - Stakeholders involved
 - Ambition of the knowledge transfer
 - Activities to be implemented for knowledge transfer
- Reaffirmation of initially specified objectives and needs
- Progressive adaptation of onsite knowledge transfer activities to online formats
- Adoption of the small steps approach



Implementation of Knowledge Transfer

Online knowledge transfer activities fitting the same 5 categories and serving the same purposes

1. -Online workshops as study-visits to show a practice and received feedbacks

- Sharing the work in the learning region with the Consortium
- Request for feedback and inputs from the Consortium



2. Online Peer-learning activities tailored to the local needs of regions/authorities as study visits to learn more about a specific practice

- Preparatory meeting with the practitioners to further specify the questions
- Proposed an agenda for the online peer-learning session prepared by the coaching partner
- Workshop with local stakeholders/healthcare professionals from both regions
- Exchange information and tools & mutual-learning
- Build-up professional relationships that can continue in the future



3. Enlarged specialised webinars as conferences and other specialised events in receiving region or in relevant places

- Provided opportunity for experience sharing and production of collective intelligence
- Stakeholders' engagement
- Raising awareness and building an international community

4. Capacity-building and awareness raising/engagement activities within a regional ecosystem

- Certified Master programme on EU Cooperation & Funding for healthcare professionals in Puglia
- Training for healthcare professionals on agile management in Lithuania
- Awareness raising, engagement & capacity building website on integrated care by Slovakia
- Survey on the needs of 1) healthcare providers and 2)patients in Poland

Key findings

The co-developmet and implementation of the online knowledge transfer programmes has been meaningful for the purposes of the project providing new opportunities for learning and long-lasting international cooperation.

Key elements for success:

- Strong focus on the specification of needs
- Tailor-made activities, with clear intention
- Clear value to stakeholders
- Peer-learning
- Regular and continuous reassessment after the outbreak of the pandemic
- Early-stage adoption of the small steps approach
- Well structured organisation of knowledge transfer activities (especially when they are online)
- Exploration and exploitation of new opportunities provided by the online
- Pre-existing connection between the regions/authorities participating in the project

Resources for practiotioners:

- ▶ Report on the SCIROCCO Exchange Knowledge Transfer Programme
- SCIROCCO Exchange Toolkit for Knowledge Transfer

Soon available in the SCIROCCO Exchange
Knowledge Management Hub









Facilitated discussion



COFFEE BREAK

11.45 - 12.00 CET



CAPACITY-BUILDING SUPPORT FOR INTEGRATED CARE: KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER



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Objectives of SCIROCCO Exchange

1.Maturity assessment for integrated care

Priorities for improvement: strengths and weaknesses of local environment for integrated care

2. Capacity-building assets

Access to existing evidence

SCIROCCO Exchange Knowledge Management Hub



4. Improvement Plans

Co-designing technical assistance tailored to the maturity and local context



Capacity-building support







KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER IN KOSICE REGION / SLOVAKIA

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Objectives of KT in Kosice Region / SK COACHING

► KT objectives have been informed by the findings on the maturity assessment

Stakeholders: Individual evaluations - Nov 2019-Mar 2020

Focus group: 26.3.2020 (online)

- Only dimension 4 achieved a higher rating (score 2)
- Strategic documents emphasizing IC approaches
- The potential for multidisciplinary cooperation although not clear vision, planning or management of this cooperation at the administration level
- Standard procedures exist; however, they are not uniform, interdisciplinary



OBJECTIVE: promoting multidisciplinary and cross-sectoral collaboration and networking



Objectives of KT in Kosice Region / SK IMPROVEMENT



- 2. Structure and governance
- 7. Population approach
- 9. Evaluation methods
- 10. Breadth of ambitions

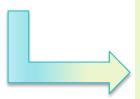


7 dimensions: 1,3,5,6,8,11,12



1 dimension - 4. Process cooperation





OBJECTIVE: Capacity Building

- Isolated bottom-up initiatives, driven by NGOs
- Shortage of younger GPs
- Inadequate understanding of the importance of interdisciplinary team work





To raise awareness about the importance of the concept of INTEGRATED CARE in Kosice self-governing region and/or in Slovakia



- 1. Slovak online IC educational platform
- Presentations of the SCIROCCO Exchange project and principles of IC among current and future stakeholders at national conferences, workshops, seminars, formal university education, and life-long learning programmes/trainings
- 3. KT activities for **health and social care policies**
- 4. National online **workshop** focused on logic model and stakeholders engagement (Nov 25, 2021 online)
- 5. New **research projects:** H2020 IMMERSE, VEGA, INHEAL (submitted: InPrev-D, KSK-IC)

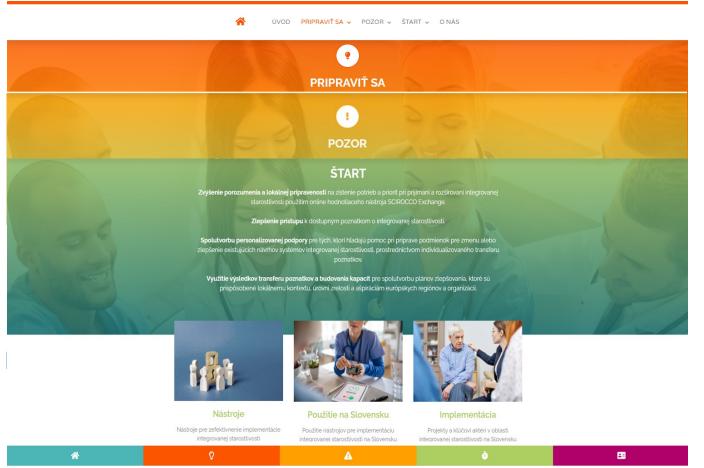


1. Slovak online IC educational platform





1. Slovak online IC educational platform – cont.



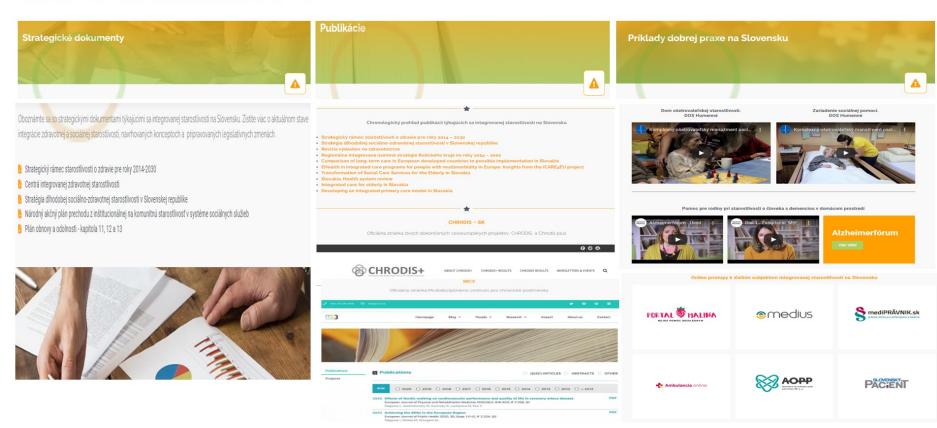




KT activities in Kosice Region / Slovakia

1. Slovak online IC educational platform – cont.

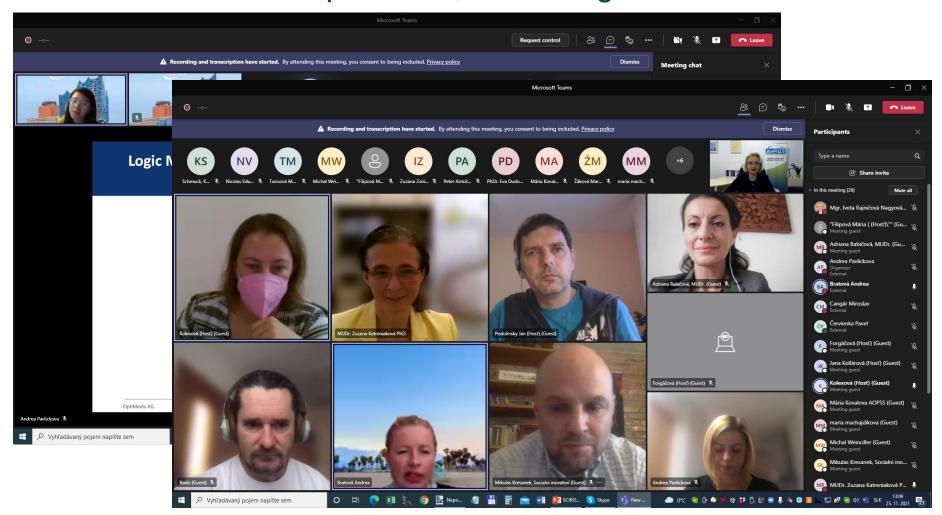






KT activities in Kosice Region / Slovakia

4. National workshop Nov 25, 2021: Logic model





Outcomes of KT activities in Kosice Region / SK

Example: 3. KT activities for health and social care policies

- Knowledge transfer at governmental level connection to existing and currently implemented activities of the Ministry of Health of the SR (e.g. community hospitals, COVID-19 Intervention team, OECD workshop);
- Membership in the Evaluation committee of the Slovak Ministry of Health on Standard diagnostic and therapeutic procedures;
- Membership in experts' working group and preparation of three standard diagnostic and therapeutic procedures in the long-term care:
 - (1) Management of timely provision of follow-up and long-term social and health care Multidisciplinary standard; (2) Meeting clients' complex needs in follow-up and long-term care; and (3) Risk of destabilization management in the context of developing the quality of care.
- Membership in experts' advisory group on elaboration of the "Program of economic development and social development of the urban functional area of Kosice 2022+" in the field of social services and healthcare;
- Commenting legislative documents and strategies related to IC.



Impact of KT activities in Kosice Region / SK

- ➤ The overall aim of the SCIROCCO Exchange Knowledge Transfer Programme has been achieved.
- ➤ The conducted activities **raised awareness** about the importance of the concept of integrated care in Kosice self-governing region and Slovakia.
- ➤ The KT activities for health and social care policies (e.g. participation in experts' advisory committees and working groups, commenting strategic documents) have a potential to speed up the implementation process of IC in Slovakia.
- Strengthening existing partnerships and building new partnerships provides a solid basis for further collaboration.





Challenges / Concerns

Challenges / Concerns

- Low awareness on the importance of IC among the stakeholders.
- Lack of publications on IC in Slovakia in general, minimum publications in English language, a lot of grey literature; as such the assets mapping process was challenging.
- ➤ Negative impact of **COVID-19** on stakeholders' availability and motivation to participate in knowledge transfer activities. Limitations in organizing in-person (large-scale) events.
- ➤ Due to COVID-19 travel restriction the **exchange visits** and sharing the experience with other project partners was not possible.

Changes in or on the contrary confirmation of the ambition

The overall attendance (number and representation of participants) at the national workshop was beyond our expectations. Participants welcomed the capacity building as a necessary next step and priority for successful implementation and scaling up of IC in Slovakia.



Future ambitions

- 1. Further development and improvement of the IC educational platform
- 2. Developing cooperation with/among the stakeholders, regular updates of the web-platform (adding new relevant content coming from stakeholders), planning joint activities (projects, conferences, training, etc.).
- 3. Implementation of concrete IC projects at regional and national level. Preparation of new project proposals.
- 4. Preparation of **IC certified course/training** within the context of life-long learning









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KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER PROGRAMME IN PUGLIA REGION

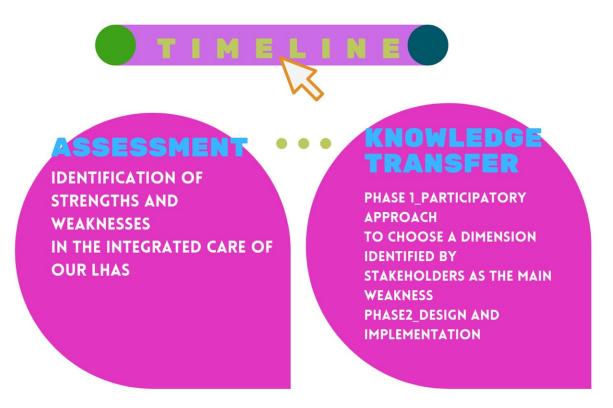
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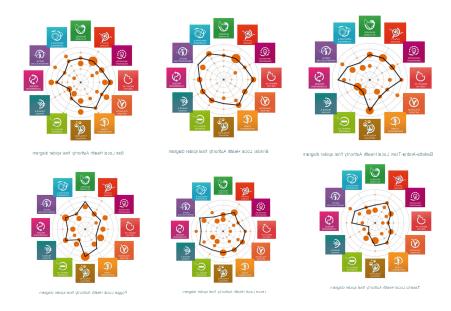
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Knowledge transfer activities in Puglia Region





Assessment



Weaknesses

- Funding
- Removal of Inhibitors
- Breadth of Ambition



Knowledge Transfer: the participatory phase



- LHA Top management;
- Representative of the Health and Social Care District;
- Representative with medical background (e.g. Care Manager, Chief Nurse);
- Representative of the ICT Team; and
- Patients' group representative.

As a result of this webinar, the stakeholders decided that among the 3 main dimensions identified as weaknesses, the "Funding" dimension was the priority to be addressed by a knowledge transfer program in the region.



Knowledge Transfer: design and co-creation

- Analysis of training opportunities already in place in Puglia
- ▶ Identification of the Master in EU Funds organised by a private regional university
- co-creation of the Master in «European Project Planning and Management» with the University's scientific board.

Thanks to AReSS suggestions, the Master gained a specific module dedicated to programs and initiatives within the Health and Social domains



Knowledge Transfer: implementation

- ➤ a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between AReSS and the 6 LHAs
- ► thanks to SCIROCCO Exchange Project AReSS supported LHAs financially to select their stakeholders and let them to attend the Master by a dedicated grant
- ► Each LHA selected a dedicated human resources with adequate background to attend the training course and to become the reference point for future projects



Knowledge Transfer: present and future activities

- ► Today the 1year Master is ended and the participants completed their training
- ► The Master will be repeated in its new 2022 edition maintaining the module focusing on the Health and Social domains planned and experimented in collaboration with AReSS Puglia in 2021 under the framework of the knowledge transfer program
- In 2022 AReSS is collaborating with the University of Bari to launch another Master on the same topic of integrated care evaluation and funding





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Grazie!



KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER IN WERRA-MEISSNE COUNTY, GERMANY

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Objectives of knowledge transfer in Werra-Meißner County, Germany



► The objectives of the workshop were to:

- learn and exchange on facilitators and barriers in the implementation process of digital infrastructure within the Basque integrated health system.
- identify key learnings successful approaches and common challenges – in implementing electronic health records in the Basque Country.
- build log-term strategic partnership to enhance learning and mutual exchange



Knowledge transfer activities in Werra-Meißner County, Germany

Webinar on the 21. February 2021 between KRONIGUNE (Basque Country, Spain) and GWMK (Hesse, Germany)

- Part 1: Osabide Global IEHR
- Part 2: Personal Health Folder
- Part 3: Video Consultation



Outcomes of knowledge transfer activities Werra-Meißner County, Germany

Learnings:

- Introduction of electronic health records (eHR) is a comprehensive change management task
- Uptake of eHR, even when technology is ready, is slow
- German eHR function release plan will not enable just-in-time use in ADLIFE project
- In order to go on with ADLIFE a separate database needs to be constructed and manually filled
- → ADLIFE in Germany reverted from an implementation action to a research action



Impact of knowledge transfer activities in Werra-Meißner County, Germany







- Contracting University of Kassel Chair of Communication Technology (ComTec) to build data base
 - iOS based pareto optimized App-Database-System Beta ("ADLIFE ePA")
 release mid June (in schedule)
- Change Management:
 - Change of USP focus to shared decision making instead of digitally supported care plan definition



Challenges / Concerns

- ► Both parties favored a physical exchange prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - Nevertheless, online exchange was successful.



What is your ambition in future?

- ► Finish development of "ADLIFE eHR" in summer 2022
- ► KRONIGUNE and GWMK roll out the ADLIFE intervention study Dec 2022 Dec 2023
- ▶ 2024: Transition von ADLIFE eHR to standardized German eHR as data source









KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER: LESSONS LEARNED

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Knowledge transfer: *Evaluation*

Key components of knowledge transfer and knowledge exchange from Prihodova et al. (2019)

MESSAGE: represents the information to be shared

- After the KT process, have you learned something that might help you improve or resolve the needs of your system? If so, what have you learned?
- Could your resulting shared knowledge be used to achieve something you have wanted to do for a while or to influence decision-making

PROCESS: represents the activities intended to implement the transfer of knowledge

- Was the KT process well targeted / well oriented towards its precise objectives?
- Was the facilitation provided as part of the KT activities was skilled enough?

STAKEHOLDERS: represent the people involved on either side of the exchange process

- What kinds of stakeholders were involved? Were the appropriate kinds of stakeholders involved?
- Have you missed the presence of an important type of stakeholder in the KT process?
- Do you think that the managers in your system (supervisors) are committed to making this change a success?

CONTEXT: represents local/organisational context and the wider context

- Do your co-workers support the change effort (that's the changes that your organisation should do in order to achieve its objectives?
- Will be any changes made, or planned to be made, in your organisation based on the shared knowledge?



MESSAGE: what have you learned?

- KT activities provide a better understanding of where we need to go in order to assist the primary care boards with the use of data for their action plans.
- After KT, learnings on how to structure the personnel training within an institution and how to monitor the activities that are set in order to reach the goal.
- The planned KT activities were useful to help reaching the goal to professionalize the human resources within the health sector.
- In particular, KT activity on the population approach/risk stratification and digital services were extremely helpful to progress internal development of risk stratification approaches.
- Valuable learnings about approaches to goal-oriented care, and the structured way of standardizing processes and transferring knowledge/scaling up the change.





PROCESS: How was the KT process?

- The KT process was assessed as timely, the activities take place at the right time and it was well targeted.
- It was inspiring and exploratory.
- It was well prepared, very straight forward with good ideas.
- It was oriented to solve weaknesses emerged from the analysis.
- The communication process was assessed as adequate to allow participants to incorporate ideas. Participants were able to ask specific questions that were well addressed by the stakeholders delivering the KT session.
- The facilitation provided as part of the knowledge transfer activities was assessed as skilled enough.
- KT activities included speakers with high level of expertise who shared their knowledge.





STAKEHOLDERS: people involved on the KT process

- Different types of stakeholders, who are important in the field of integrated care, were involved (decision-makers, strategic planning leads, implementation leads, healthcare professionals, academic world and regional institutions...).
- Stakeholders from different regions were involved and that brought some new ideas, as they shared their different experiences.
- More stakeholders need to be involved in order to achieve substantial changes.



CONTEXT: how is the local/organisational context?

MANAGERS

- Half of participants answered that their managers were committed to making the change a success.
- The other half responded that just some of them or it depends on: time, competing priorities, motivation, support...

CO-WORKERS

- Most participants stated that their co-workers are committed or partially committed as it requires further communication effort. There is some natural resistance.
- Only a few respondents reported that their co-workers were absolutely committed to the change envisaged for the organization, or that their co-workers are not supportive when it comes to changes.



- KT process was useful to clarify the changes to be done in their particular context.
- Coaching and better planning skills were gained from the KT activities.
- KT activities were found particularly insightful both in terms of learning from other regions as well internal implications.











Facilitated discussion



LUNCH

12.45 - 13.30 CET