

## Evidence Based Guidelines for Nursing and Social Care on eHealth Services

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*Welcome to the first edition of the ENS4Care Project eNewsletter!  
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### About ENS4Care

Despite increasing evidence of the potential of eHealth solutions, guidance in this field remains rather scarce. The 24 partners who have joined together for this DG Connect funded project are proud to be associated because we share a vision. A vision that nurses and social carers can design and develop high quality eHealth services thus contributing to person-centered innovative, high quality, safe and cost-effective national health and social care systems.

ENS4Care aims to harness the potential of eHealth systems to make effective guidance available in accessible formats through multi-stakeholder collaboration to health and social care staff and those using their services such as informal carers and patients.

We will do so through the creation of guidelines in four core areas: prevention, clinical practices, advanced roles and nurse ePrescribing

Furthermore, the project aims to foster continuity and quality of care as well as patient safety for all citizens across Member States through the establishment of a thematic network which will act as a sustainable mechanism to support nursing and social care research in the field of ICT enabled prevention and integrated care.

This eNewsletter is designed to chart our progress and highlight achievements as well as ways that you can engage and share your experiences.

### Kick-off meeting a success



As the European Commission was finalising its consultation on mHealth, 24 partner organisations met in Warsaw on 3rd December 2013 for the kick off meeting of ENS4Care to discuss the practicalities of how nurses and social workers can give informed and integrated advice to citizens wanting to use apps and other easily accessible eHealth technologies and services



Commenting on the foreseen impact of the project for policy makers, citizens and the next generation of the health and social care workforce, Paul De Raeve, Secretary General of the European

Federation of Nurses Associations and Project Coordinator pointed out:

*“The innovative approach to build on what exists and then upscale towards a European consensus will support politicians and policy-makers when designing reformed health and social care policies”*



Look at the video of the [ENS4Care Kick-off meeting](#)

### ENS4Care Questionnaire to collect practices

One of the first deliverables of ENS4Care will be the production of guidelines. As such, in a first step, the

[ENS4Care questionnaire](#) has been launched with the objective of collecting key information on examples of good practices (e.g. online platforms, services, products, protocols, guidance, clinical guidelines, education and training programs, etc.) in the EU and EEA countries as regard, nurses and/or social workers use of ICT tools/systems in one of the following areas: prevention, clinical practice, advanced roles and nurse ePrescribing.

### Upcoming meetings

09 April 2014: ENS4Care General Assembly, Brussels

22 October 2014: ENS4Care General Assembly, Dublin

### Get involved

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