



The Re-Health² action aims to contribute to the integration of newly-arrived migrants and refugees, by identifying third country nationals' health needs, with attention to vulnerable individuals, and facilitating the provision of health care, including of those to be relocated, in the EU Member States' health systems through the utilization of the e-PHR/ PHR as universal EU tool for health assessment.

The EC/IOM action responds to the need to foster appropriate health care provision to migrants including continuity of care, improve public health and cross border cooperation, within and between countries.

In line with the priorities and actions set out under the EU Public Health Work Programme 2017 to implement the Third Programme of the Union's action in the field of health (2014-2020), the EC/IOM action follows an initial piloting phase of the e-PHR within the Re-Health project in Croatia, Greece, Italy, and Slovenia.

The EC/IOM action contributes to the EU Migration Agenda, the New Skills Agenda for Europe - Commission Communication COM(2016) 381 in its part related to the integration of third country nationals, and the Action Plan on the Integration of Third Country Nationals.

In addition, the e-PHR is built in line with the Europe 2020 strategy, Digital Agenda for Europe, which encourages the use of digital applications.

The Re-Health² project is implemented by the IOM Migration Health Division Regional Office in Brussels. IOM MHD promotes a public health approach to migrant and minority health to ensure migrants' right to health, to avoid disparities in health status and access to services, to reduce excess mortality and morbidity and to optimize health outcomes and the ensuring contribution to social cohesion, growth and development.



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Implementation of the PHR as a tool for integration of refugees in EU health systems

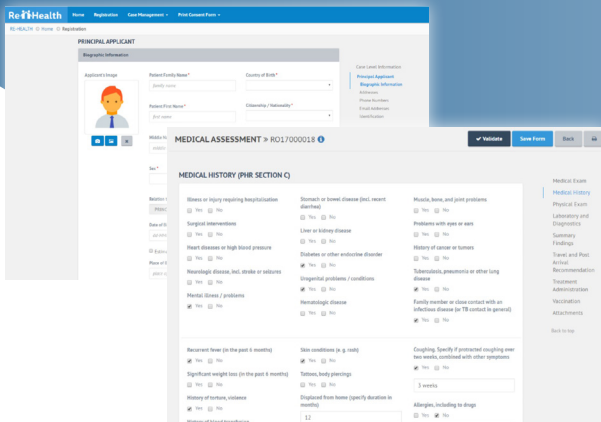
Electronic Health Database • e-PHR

The Personal Health Record (PHR) is a tool created to foster appropriate health care provision to migrants during the reception process within and between countries and to harmonize health assessment practices within the EU.

Following the first phase of piloting within the IOM/EC Re-Health, the PHR/e-PHR and its related electronic platform will be revised to better meet the needs of migrants and stakeholders involved in the provision of health care to migrants.

Aspects included in the foreseen revision based on primary stakeholders' feedback during the pilot phase:

- More possibilities in uploading/downloading documents and clinical tests' results;
- Additional aspects on the follow-up and extra lab tests;
- Additional search fields.
- Automatic translation in minimum two languages;



Consolidation of the use of the PHR/e-PHR

The implementation of the e-PHR will consolidate the use of the tool and it will be extended to new sites. The project will include:

- Needs assessments in new implementing sites;
- Recruitment of health mediators as needed;
- Training of staff on the utilization of the electronic platform in implementing sites;
- Provision of essential supplies and other equipment;
- Consolidation of the use of the e-PHR in coordination with stakeholders;
- Dissemination of the tool.

Implementing sites: Cyprus, Croatia, Greece, Italy, Romania, Serbia, and Slovenia

Capacity Building

The implementation of the e-PHR/PHR and its related electronic platform, includes further capacity building for health mediators identified among the incoming migrants and refugees.

This will support health authorities with a comprehensive model of provision of health care by promoting the use of health mediators.

The activities will include:

- Face to face training sessions in new implementing countries and where needed, in new sites;
- An online training course for health mediators on migration health.

In addition, health mediators will also have the opportunity to gain further knowledge through the **Euro Health Mediator Platform**.

<http://eurohealthmediators.eu/>



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