



Launching the recovery

A Recovery plan for Europe:

The Recovery and Resilience Facility

Health sector resilience

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A strong anchor for Health Reforms &

Investments

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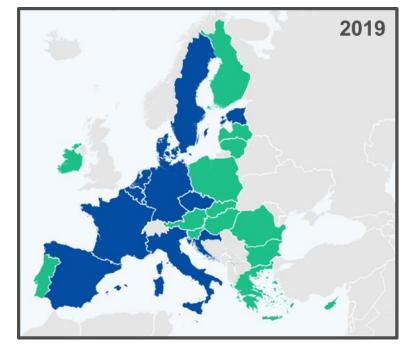


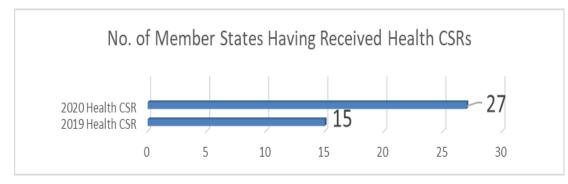
















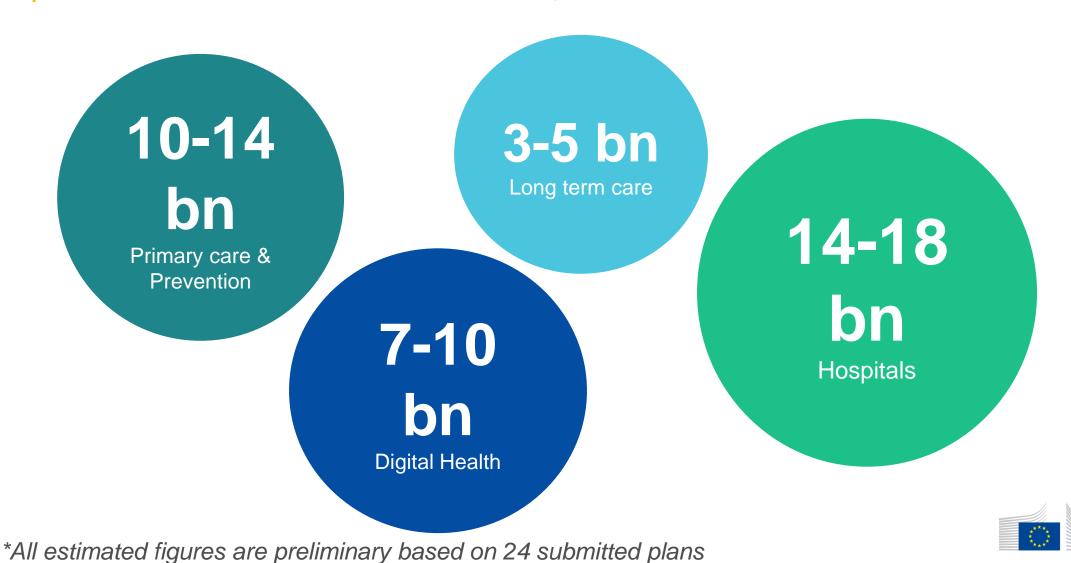
Overview of health expenditure

- In total, around EUR 50 billion have been proposed to be spent on investments and reforms concerning health and long-term care (LTC).
- Around 10% of the total costs of the plans

 All RRPs include health-related investments, mostly as part of a selfstanding health component, but also under the umbrella of other components.

 The relative size of grants and loans requested for health differs widely across MS.

Health expenditure by thematic area*



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Modernising the hospital network

- Investments in renovating and expanding hospital infrastructure
 - **New hospitals:** building of new hospitals, establishment of centres for prevention, new infrastructure for mental health, new infrastructures for laboratories in the hospitals
 - Modernisation of hospitals: enhancement, modernisation and upgrade of state hospitals, modernisation of intensive care and resuscitation units
 - Sourcing modern medical equipment: equipment for prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cancer patients, replacement of outdated medical equipment
- Reorganising the healthcare system
 - Reform elements focus on: quality, accessibility, sustainability and resilience of health systems, healthcare workforce





Strengthening Primary care and Prevention



Reforms & investments

- increasing the allocation for primary care in rural areas and opening of new primary care outpatient clinics in deprived areas
- introducing mobile pharmacies into primary care
- strengthening the role of General Practitioners
- investments in primary care centres





Addressing shortages of health workers

- RRP measures are expected to contribute to
 - addressing existing shortages
 - strengthening availability of health workers
 - ensuring their balanced regional distribution matching population needs
- RRP measures include investments and reforms such as
 - strengthening competence of health personnel to ensure quality of care
 - education of staff in mental health care
 - scholarships for specific training in general practice
 - health professionals competency platform





A step change towards e-health



• Overall, a clear emphasis in the RRPs is put on investments contributing to the **digital transition in healthcare**.

• 12 MS included a broad range of digital (e)health measures, which contribute towards achieving the target of allocating at least 20% of their budget to the digital transition.

 These investments focus mainly on health information assets, digital upskilling and transformation of healthcare delivery towards telemedicine.



Overview of long-term care measures

- In total, around **EUR 3-5 billion** have been proposed to be spent on investments and reforms concerning **long-term care (LTC)**.
- A total of 17 MS envisage measures to address issues the long-term care field, with 11 MS devoting RRF funds to this cause.

