

Newsletter

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Welcome to the 2nd Newsletter of the CraNE JA!

We aim in these Newsletters to keep you informed of our news and current affairs, and to further involve our member centers and patients in its growth and development.

In this issue, get informed about the first CraNE Governmental Board which was held on April 20th, 2023 in Brussels, the Workshop of Crane WP7 which took place on 21 April 2023 in Paris, as well as the 2nd WP6 online meeting held on the 5th of June.

Furthermore, in the framework of the European Week Against Cancer (EWAC) gather unique information focused on developments in cancer prevention, early detection and treatment.

Finally, get informed about THE EWAC EVENTS:

- EU4H Cancer projects presentation including a thematic webinar titled 'Europe's Beating Cancer Plan – First EU4Health Project Showcase' and
- ECL & EUPHA online event on Exploring the Link Between Weight and Cancer: Effective Communication and Action

both on 25 May 2023.

<u>CraNE WP4 Governmental Board (GAB)</u> <u>20 April, Brussels</u>

On the 20th April 2023, **CraNE's first Governmental Board (GB) meeting** took place at Sciensano in Brussels, in a hybrid format with about 59 participants from 18 countries.

The meeting unfolded with short reports of objectives and expected outputs presented by each core WP leader. Afterwards, a presentation of synergies and overlaps among EBCP care-related project was held, followed by a European Commission's talk on opportunities for their support.

The GAB was linked to CraNE WP4; its results were translated into a **Maturity Model** that could be used by EU Member States for assessing their capacity to be part of the EU Network of CCCs (EU NCCCs) and secondly, the **CraNE Blueprint** will map all the necessary steps for organizing CCCs and to be part of the EU NCCCs.

Twice a year, the CraNE GAB will meet to be updated on the main activities and to provide support on the content of the Maturity model and the Blueprint.

The next GB meeting will be held **on the 10th of November 2023.**

Workshop of CraNE WP7 21 April, Paris

This hybrid workshop to close the first consultation phase of the CraNE WP7 was held in Paris on 21 April 2023.

During the working meeting, a summary of each sub-task for task 7.2 and 7.3 was prepared for our Partners to review the process so far regarding the standards and criteria of the CCCs discussed and plan the following stages.

Specifically, this workshop included presentation of preliminary data from the survey followed by extensive description of Standards on Governance, Research, Integration Research and Care, Prevention, Innovation and also Standards for Education and Training.

In addition, this event focused on coherence and dynamics of WP7 in relation to other WPs and the next steps to reach first sketches of CCC Standards (timelines and processes-WP7 milestones and deliverables).

In closing, the participants were further reminded by the WP7 leaders that written feedback to the ZeroDrafts on each task was welcomed and that there would be formed writing groups for the next steps, and that candidates for this were sought.

2nd WP6 Online Meeting <u>5 June 2023</u>

On 5 June the **second WP6 online meeting** took place. 61 participants from 37 organizations were attending including guests from the JRC and Joint Action JANE WP5 leader. During the meeting the first results of the five sub-tasks were presented, discussed and agreed. Furthermore, the preparations for the following activities were started.

Especially the results from the survey of the certified CCCNs about their experiences with certification and their feedback as to what kind of tools to support the set-up and the preparation to become a quality assured CCCN were received with high interest. So did the results from the systematic literature review and survey on patient-centeredness in CCCNs.

The next WP6 meeting will take place **on 27-28 November** and will be hosted by the National Cancer Institute (INC) in Luxembourg.



JOIN THE EUROPEAN WEEK AGAINST CANCER

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The **European Week Against Cancer (EWAC)** is a set of 7 days each year, from 25 to 31 May, to encourage all of Europe to use this time period to increase communication on issues about cancer and is concluded by the World No Tobacco Day on 31 May. During EWAC cancer charities, European policy-makers and general public engage in various activities connected to awareness raising about cancer prevention, access to treatment and support for patients and cancer survivors.

Learn More about the EWAC Events

EU4H Cancer Projects Presentation – EWAC 25 May 2023

In the framework of the European Week Against Cancer, a thematic webinar titled **'Europe's Beating Cancer Plan – First EU4Health Project Showcase'** was organized by the European Commission DG SANTE on 25 May, 2023. Several cancer projects funded by the EU4Health Program were presented helping raise awareness of developments in cancer prevention, early detection and treatment.

This webinar was open to anyone interested in the EU's work on cancer and specifically Europe's Beating Cancer Plan.







EUROPE'S BEATING CANCER PLAN Webinar: EU4Health Project Showcase 25 May 2023, 14.00 CEST

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European Week Against Cancer



ECL & EUPHA online event on Exploring the

Link Between Weight and Cancer:

Effective Communication and Action

25 May 2023

The European Week Against Cancer (EWAC) 2023 started with an online event about the connection between weight and cancer, organized by ECL in cooperation with the European Public Health Association (EUPHA).

According to research data, there is a link between weight management and cancer control. Hence, the European Code Against Cancer suggests that maintaining weight and avoiding weight gain are crucial for reducing cancer risk, but achieving a stable, normal BMI optimizes cancer prevention. However, retaining a normal body weight depends largely on personal choices and lifestyle. Moreover, the links between body weight and cancer are complex and are not yet fully understood, while relevant communication in healthcare is poor. Consequently, the general population as well as special communities are not properly informed about the benefits of a healthy lifestyle that includes exercise and a balanced diet in order to control body weight and prevent associated cancers.

To this end, several stakeholders were brought together to discuss the connection between weight and cancer. Barriers and facilitators were explored to improve awareness and activities in the field of obesity related cancers.



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