



## HoCare - Delivery of Innovative solutions for Home Care by strengthening quadruple-helix cooperation in regional innovation chains

5<sup>th</sup> Call - Extended Project

### Cyprus' 1<sup>st</sup> Regional Stakeholders' Group Meeting

Tuesday, 25 January 2022 (online)

## REPORT

### AGENDA

**9:30 – 09:50**

Welcome and short introduction - HoCare Project extended

**09:45 – 10:05**

Brief overview of the current situation in home care and the use of ICT in the sector in Cyprus

**10:05 – 10:45**

Open Discussion: New elements in the sector of home care innovation as an impact of the Covid-19 pandemic

**10:45 – 11:15**

Open Discussion: Identification of Good Practices in the sector of home care innovation as an impact of the Covid-19 pandemic

**11:15 - 11:30**

Wrap up - Conclusions

### PARTICIPANTS

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5	Evagoras Tambouris	Ministry of Health	Coordination Officer



6	Christos Hadjiyiangu	Union of Cyprus Municipalities	Secretary General
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9	Evanthia Davalia	Nicosia General Hospital/ Ministry of Health	Senior Nursing Officer
10	Aris Anastasiades	Consultant	ICT Expert
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Dr. Eleftherios Loizou welcomed the participants and provided a short introduction about the extended HoCare Project that was approved under the 5<sup>th</sup> Restricted Call for Proposals of the Interreg Europe program.

Dr. Nikolas Stylianides continued by providing a brief overview of the current situation in home care and the use of ICT in the sector in Cyprus.

An open discussion followed focused on highlighting new elements and on identifying Good Practices in the sector of home care innovation as an impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. This information will be used for drafting the new Regional Situation Analysis Report of the Hocare (extended) Project for Cyprus.

#### Main Points:

- New relevant Policy Instruments introduced: a) Cyprus Recovery And Resilience Plan and b) Operational Program “THALIA” (ΘΑΛΕΙΑ) 2021-2027.
- In Cyprus, e-Health activities are still at the very early stages.
- An Integrated Health Information System is under development by the Ministry of Health (MoH).
- The creation of Regional Health Networks (RHN) to exchange information in real time between all hospitals, Health Centers, regional clinics, and private doctors is a goal to be applied in the next couple of years.
- The implementation of the new, integrated General Healthcare System offering universal coverage on 1 July 2020 has created new challenges and opportunities for the sector of e-health services.
- Through the implementation of the new health system new stakeholders have appeared in the scene with important role, such as the State Health Services Organization and the Health Insurance Organization.

