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Dear all,

Please find here attached a leaflet on a project which main objective is to obtain for patients a better understanding of the financial organisational requirements and prepare hospitals for the new conditions, that may arise from the implementation of the crossborder healthcare directive, which will come into force next month.

The European Commission (Executive Agency for Health and Consumers) co-finances a project called **HoNCAB "Support creation of a pilot network of hospitals related to payment of care for cross border patients"**, which started in September 2012 and will run for 36 months. It brings together [19 partners](#) from nine EU countries and [16 collaborating partners](#).

The expected outcomes of the project are the following:

- Establishment of a knowledge management system consisting of: a **system to receive feedback from cross-border patients**, in order to obtain their perspective and investigate their satisfaction with the reimbursement process and the quality of care received and a **web-based application** to be used by hospitals to collect and exchange relevant information, on the basis of a pre-defined set of variables.
- Obtain information on the main problems faced by hospitals when it comes to payment of care for cross-border patients, the impact of cross-border care in financial terms and compare differences between Diagnoses Related Groups (DRGs) categories and tariffs.
- Set up a pilot **Network of Hospitals**, designed to grow over time, with the aim to share between Member States practical experiences, problems and solutions related to cross-border care.
- Based on the findings of the project, publish a **Compendium of results for policy makers** and a **Handbook for Hospitals**.

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