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The total number of people with multiple chronic conditions in the European population is estimated at about 50 million. This poses a great challenge to health systems and the delivery of healthcare and social services. Innovation of chronic illness care is urgently needed as current care delivery models are not adapted to the needs of the growing number of people with multiple health problems.

THE EUROPEAN PROJECT ICARE4EU

Describes and analyzes existing approaches of current integrated care programmes and new models of multidisciplinary care for people with multiple chronic conditions in 30 European countries;
Aims to disseminate knowledge about key characteristics of effective care;
Contributes to an improved design, a wider applicability and more effective implementation of integrated care innovations;
Disseminates knowledge and innovative solutions to improve chronic illness care in Europe.

ICARE4EU ACTIVITIES FOCUS ON THE

- description of existing integrated care models for patients with multiple chronic health problems
- evaluation of their strengths and weaknesses from four perspectives:
 - Patient-centredness
 - Management practices & professional competencies
 - Use of e-health technologies
 - Financing systems
- identification & analysis of innovative best practice solutions for people with multiple chronic conditions
- design of a template for future evaluation of the developments in multimorbidity chronic illness care
- identification of key characteristics for successful management & implementation strategies
- promotion of the exchange of knowledge on implementing innovative multimorbidity care between stakeholders and policy-makers in Europe

THE RESULTS OF ICARE4EU

will contribute to the innovation of care for people with multiple chronic conditions in Europe:

They help policy makers and stakeholders to plan, decide and advocate integrated care for people with multiple chronic conditions. The results contribute to an improved design and wider applicability of a more effective implementation of integrated care innovations. Support the objectives of the second Health Programme and the European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing (EIP on AHA).

Create an opportunity for incorporating regular updates and monitoring in the existing framework of the European Observatory. This will enable all European countries to profit from its outcomes.

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