Healthy Ageing for All in Europe and Leaving No One Behind

Date: Wednesday, 14 September
Time: 8:00-9:00am IDT | 7:00-8:00am CEST
Room: Jaffa

The pandemic has put a spotlight on gaps in health protection, Universal Health Coverage and quality of care for older adults and brought into sharp focus the urgency for more investment in health and social care systems for older people, including a better health workforce to support the rapidly ageing population across Europe; and more sustainable approach to address inequities to ensure older adults and their carers have access to good quality care as well as digital services, and financial protection within age-friendly environments. The objective of the parallel session is to: (1) exchange policy examples to implement the vision of “building forward better” in response to the harmful impact of the pandemic on the health and well-being of older adults; and inform on the development of a Framework of Action on Healthy Ageing in Europe.

Programme

Chair of the session: Dr Manfred Huber, Regional Officer on Ageing and Health, WHO Regional Office for Europe

Setting the Scene

08:00–08:05    Welcome and Introduction on the UN Decade of Healthy Ageing
                Dr Manfred Huber, Regional Officer on Ageing and Health, WHO Europe

8:05–8:10    Healthy ageing in Europe: a call for action
                Dr Natasha Azzopardi Muscat, Director of Country Health Policies and Systems, WHO Europe

Country perspectives

8:10–8:15    Strategic directions for integrated, accessible, and high-quality long-term care and healthy ageing in Lithuania
                Ms. Radvilė Jakaitienė, Advisor, Ministry of Health, Lithuania

8:15–8:20    Policies to support healthy ageing in Germany
                Mr. Björn Kümml, Senior Political Advisor, German Federal Ministry of Health

Perspectives from Academia and Local communities

8:20–8:25    Proactive preventive care driving healthy ageing
                Professor Ran Balicer, Founding Director, Clalit Research Institute & Head of WHO Collaborating Center on NCD Research Prevention and Control

8:25–8:30    Think globally, act locally: how cities can play a role in promoting health and well-being for older people
Open Discussion and Closing

8:30–8:42  
**Reflections and Intervention from the audience**
*Moderator: Dr Manfred Huber*

8:42–8:45  
**Closing**
*Dr Manfred Huber, Regional Officer on Ageing and Health, WHO Europe*

**Speakers (optional)**

- **Dr Manfred Huber**  
  Regional Officer on Ageing and Health, WHO Europe

- **Dr Natasha Azzopardi Muscat**  
  Director of Country Health Policies and Systems, WHO Europe

- **Mrs. Radvilė Jakaitienė**  
  Advisor, Ministry of Health, Lithuania

- **Mr. Björn Kümmel**  
  Senior Political Advisor, German Federal Ministry of Health

- **Professor Ran Balicer**  
  Founding Director, Clalit Research Institute and Head of WHO Collaborating Center on NCD Research Prevention and Control

- **Ms. Stefania Pascut**  
  Function, Health and Social Welfare Services Municipality of Udine
Practical information

Zoom link
https://who.zoom.us/j/93275251289
Password: RC72@age

Webinar ID: 932 7525 1289
Password: 76732316

Languages

The parallel session will be in English and Russian language

Interaction with participants

The parallel session will include an open floor discussion where participants will have the opportunity to react to the interventions of the speakers.

Documentation

Video on the value of care, available here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OEli_80BoR8

Policy brief on integrated delivery of care, available here: https://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/353912

Factsheet on the health and wellbeing of informal caregivers, available here: https://www.who.int/europe/publications/m/item/caregiving-impacts-on-unpaid-informal-carers--health-and-well-being---a-gender-perspective--factsheet