



EUROPEAN PATIENTS' RIGHTS DAY 2024

The key role of HCPs for a healthier Europe

Combining the protection of patients' rights with skills shortage, medical desertification and job strain

20 March 2024 | 16:30 – 18:30
Room ASP 3H1 | European Parliament, Brussels

PROGRAMME

Moderator: Mariam Zaidi – journalist

16:30 – 16:40 Opening remarks

- **Brando Benifei**, Member of the European Parliament - Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats (S&D), Italy - Co-Chair of the MEPs Interest Group on "European Patients' Rights and Cross-Border Healthcare"
- **Mariano Votta**, Responsible for EU Affairs – Cittadinanzattiva APS-Active Citizenship Network

16:40 – 16:50 Health workforce challenges from the EU perspective

- **Maya Matthews**, Head of Unit State of Health, European Semester and Health Technology Assessment - DG SANTE, European Commission

16:50 – 17:00 Civic survey on health personnel

- **Daniela Quaggia**, Project Manager – Cittadinanzattiva APS-Active Citizenship Network

17:00 – 17:30 Roundtable discussion on job strain

- **Cristina Rey-Valcárcel**, European Society for Trauma and Emergency Surgery (ESTES)
- **Noel B Abela**, European Specialist Nurses Organisations (ESNO)
- **Martina Giusti**, Member of Studies and Action for Innovation in Healthcare (SAPIS), research center of FNO TSRM & PSTRP

17:30 – 18:10 Roundtable discussion on skills shortage & medical desertification

- **Corinne Hinlopen**, Health Advocate & AHEAD (Action for Health and Equity: Addressing medical Deserts) Project Lead – Wemos
- **George Griffin**, Past President - Federation of European Academies of Medicine and Emeritus Professor of Infectious Diseases and Medicine at St George's - University of London
- **Oana Scarlatescu**, Associate Director, Strategic Partnerships and Healthcare Systems - European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA)
- **Lyudmil Ninov**, BeWell (Blueprint alliance for a future health workforce strategy on digital and green skills), Eu Project Programme Manager - European Health Management Association (EHMA)

18:10 - 18:30 Q&A and Final remarks

- **Vytenis Andriukaitis**, WHO Special Envoy for the European region, former European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety

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