



# Evidence informed practice

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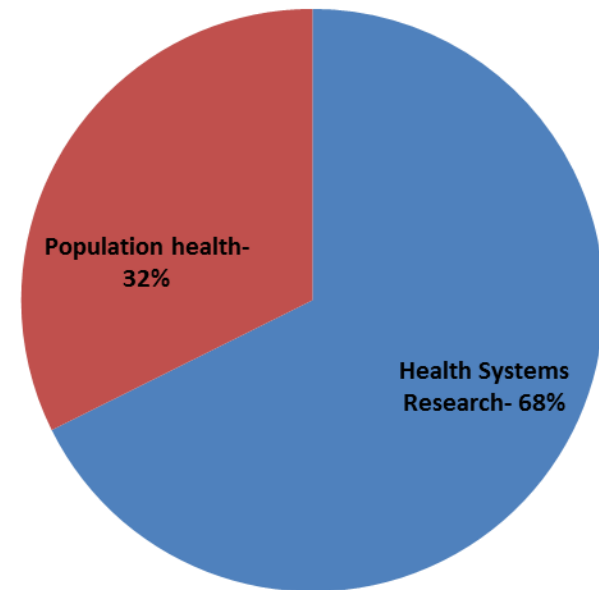
"Better clinical guidelines, better healthcare decisions"

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## EU funded Public health research for the European context (FP7)

- Population health
  - **33 projects**
  - **€ 87 M**
- Health systems & services research
  - **69 projects**
  - **€172 M**
- A growing portfolio since 2000:
  - **Total EU contribution of € 429M (€ 31.4 M in FP5, € 29.6M in FP6 and € 368M in FP7).**



## Recommendations for policy making/guidelines – **closed projects**

- **A framework for evaluating policies and interventions addressing health inequalities (Gradient)**
- **Recommendations for effective public health policies to reduce alcohol related harm and tobacco consumption (Amphora, PACTE)**
- **An interactive platform and a library of practices, tools and techniques related to patient handovers (Handover)**
- **Health technology assessment of integrated home care of elderly patients with a chronic illness (Homecare)**
- **Detailed investigation of the key determinants of health in post-Soviet countries (HiTT-2008)**



## Some of the identified gaps\*

- **Building of research capacities;**
- Effective knowledge translation - gap between the creation of research evidence and its uptake in policy and practice
- **Alignment of research activities at national and European level, increasing their impact on policy**

\* Report of the independent expert group taking stock of the impacts, challenges and limitations of EU-funded public health research under the current and previous research framework programmes, and identifying priorities for future research -

[http://ec.europa.eu/research/health/pdf/eu-h2020-subgroup2-report\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/research/health/pdf/eu-h2020-subgroup2-report_en.pdf)

# Translating evidence for policy & practice



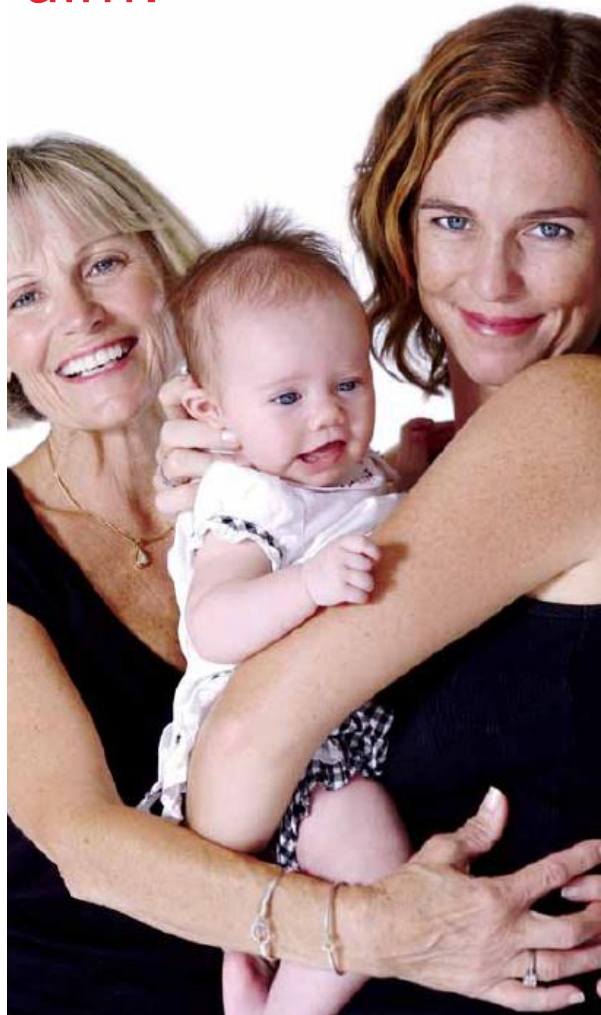


# HORIZON 2020

*The EU research and innovation  
framework programme*



## Health, Demographic change and well-being challenge – the aim:



- Translate science to benefit citizens
- Test and demonstrate new healthcare models, approaches and tools
- Promote healthy and active ageing
- Improve health outcomes, reduce inequalities
- Support a competitive health sector



# Public health research under Horizon 2020

- Problem-solving oriented, interdisciplinary research
- To help transform our health & care systems
- Reaching out beyond the health sector







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