

European Pillar of Social Rights Flashcards tool

Practical guide for taking a social rights approach to health equity

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Factoring the social rights into the health equity approach

“social rights are our (public health) business as well”

EPSR key strategic policy framework for the EU’s collective efforts on social upward convergence

The Social Rights approach is still relatively new and in need of further thinking

By addressing each and all the principles considered structural determinants of health we are 'translating' the Pillar for Public Health & Health Equity

Concrete contributions from the public health sector for the social rights implementation on the ground, in communities, for end beneficiaries

What & how we can do it, do more and do better?

EuroHealthNet EPSR Flashcards tool

The aim is to facilitate the country-level implementation, by guiding and sharing resources on how this can be done

We have prepared a EPSR Flashcards methodology and developed first two flashcards to pilot (childcare and support to children; work-life balance)

Structure: "Common Intro Page", "Brief Description & Context", "EPSR Action Plan: Where Are We Now", "Other EU-level Principles-supportive Instruments", "Actions by Public Health Actors", "EU Implementation Funds", "Further Assistance & Resources"

Easy to understand and use, attractive, a “tool in a pocket”

Sneak-peek...

Welcome to the European Pillar of Social Rights Flash cards tool

The European Pillar of Social rights sets out the rights and principles that EU Member States have agreed must lie at the heart of our social-market economies, to ensure that they are sustainable and inclusive.

These flashcards are designed to improve awareness of how public health professionals can contribute to the implementation of the Pillar of Social Rights. Each flashcard explores a different EPSR principle and demonstrate its relevance to the public health sector.

Select a principle in the wheel below to access the flashcard



A guide for public health professionals

11. Childcare and support to children

"Children have the right to affordable early childhood education and quality care and to protection from poverty. Children from disadvantaged backgrounds have the right to specific measures to enhance equal opportunities" - EPSR Action Plan

Context

The time between birth and compulsory primary school age is the most formative period for children's lives impacting lifelong learning, social integration, health and wellbeing, development, and potential employability[1].

Parents on moderate incomes find costs of early childhood education and care (ECEC) to be very high. Due to these elevated costs, children from disadvantaged backgrounds have significantly lower attendance rates. Moreover, over 18 million children in the EU have grown up in poverty or social exclusion.

THE PRINCIPLES OF THE EUROPEAN PILLAR OF SOCIAL RIGHTS



What the EPSR Action Plan says

- Education and care must be accessible and affordable to all young children inline

Breakout sessions on the principles

Potential principles for 2022 flashcards



Education, training, life-long learning



Gender equality



Equal opportunity



Work-life balance



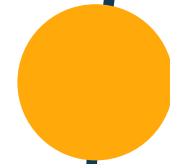
Childcare and support to children



Social Protection



Long-term care



We go into FIVE smaller groups, each led by an Executive Board member



Each group gets 1 (2 if time allows) principle to discuss; 15 minutes time



Guiding questions displayed on the flipcharts



Each group's conclusions are captured by staff

Why should we care and what is at risk?

Guided reflection

1. What's the link between a given human/social right principle and health?

2. Is this principle at risk in a given country or region – what are the consequences for health if this principle isn't applied?

3. How could we – as public health actors – contribute to achieving this principle? What do we collectively need?

Thank you for your attention.

QUESTIONS? SUGGESTIONS?
WISH TO GET INVOLVED? LET US KNOW!

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