

Welcome to the 3rd European Procurers Platform (EPP): eHealth Newsletter!

Welcome to the third newsletter from the EPP eHealth project team. The aim of this newsletter is to highlight progress to date, to provide an overview of our recent participation in the Leadership Programme for Efficiency, Quality and Sustainability in Healthcare through Innovation Procurement, to summarise our participation in the 7th ICT Innovation Conference and our upcoming Community of Learning Visit and to inform you about the next steps in the project.

EPP eHealth Progress

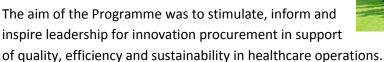
The EPP eHealth team have been working hard and to date the team have:

- Held 2 Consortium Meetings (Madrid and Krakow)
- Held the first Public Procurement of Innovation Workshop
- Prepared a report of the first Public Procurement of Innovation Workshop
- Produced two EPP eHealth Newsletters
- Completed the review of eHealth demand side and produced a report outlining the findings
- Held the first Community of Learning Visit (Krakow)

Find out more about these activities: http://innovationithospitals.com/KnowledgeArea.html

Leadership Programme for Efficiency, Quality and Sustainability in Healthcare through Innovation Procurement

Several members of the EPP eHealth team recently attended the Leadership Programme for Efficiency, Quality and Sustainability in Healthcare through Innovation Procurement developed by The University of Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership (CISL) in partnership with EcoQUIP (www.ecoquip.eu).





This was a residential programme designed for senior and middle management, key influencers and future leaders working within the healthcare sector across Europe. It was for those interested in

exploring how the strategic use of procurement can stimulate innovation and deliver better and more sustainable healthcare outcomes.

The programme covered many topics including the need for innovation in the face of considerable healthcare challenges such as financial pressures and changes in delivery models and how



environmental changes and social trends are creating new strategic imperatives for health. The programme enabled participants to implement practical approaches to deliver the triple outcomes of efficiency, quality and sustainability and engaged participants in understanding how to position themselves as thought and action leaders.

Participation resulted in understanding the role of procurement in delivering efficiency, quality and sustainability outcomes as well as being better equipped to create conditions for innovation procurement within their organisation.

On completion of the Programme participants received a certificate from CISL and join its network of over 6,000 alumini worldwide.

"The EcoQUIP leadership programme encouraged us to take personal leadership for sustainability and to innovate on the basis of solid evidence and insights from practice. Participants learned the fundamentals of sustainability and its relevance to business success, through an engaging, ondemand experience. Knowledge exchange is vital to identify opportunities. Together we can find solutions and set plans for practical implementation of PPI projects to address our needs'.

(Laura Sanchez, Bravo Solutions).

7th ICT Innovation Conference

EPP-eHealth was represented in the 7th ICT Innovations conference, on October 1-4 2015 in Ohrid, Macedonia.

Marcin Kautsch, from Dane-i-analizy presented 'eHealth Development in Selected EU Countries: Barriers and Opportunities'. The presentation gave an overview of the findings of the first phase of qualitative research from the EPP eHealth project.

The conference was attended by scientists and healthcare managers mainly from South



European countries. This was a great opportunity to introduce the new trends in Innovation Procurement – PPI as a tool for the development of eHealth, a concept that seemed very new for the audience.

Second Community of Learning Visit

The EPP eHealth team are working with colleagues from ERASMUS Medical Centre (ERASMUS MC), Rotterdam to arrange a Community of Learning Visit in December 2015. ERASMUS MC is a procurement project within the EcoQUIP and they have undertaken Innovation Procurement to procure a new bed washing facility.

The Innovation Procurement method enabled ERASMUS MC to identify an unmet need:

"Erasmus University Medical Centre (Erasmus MC) is renewing its bed washing facility to provide enough clean and disinfected beds for its daily operational needs. This currently exceeds 70,000 beds per annum and is expected to increase. The existing machine is labour intensive and uses a large volume of water and energy to operate. In brief, it is expensive and out of step with the hospital's sustainability policies and objectives".



The outcome of adopting an Innovation Procurement approach was the procurement of a robotic bed washing unit.

The peer learning exchange is an opportunity for the EPP eHealth consortium to hear about the lessons learned from ERASMUS MC's experience of Innovation Procurement and to see the robotic facility in operation.

Find out more about the ERASMUS MC project: http://www.ecoquip.eu/procurement-projects/sustainable-bed-washing-solution.html

Understanding Unmet Needs and Barriers within eHealth

In order to understand the relative importance of the identified unmet needs within eHealth, and the related barriers, an online stakeholder survey will be carried out involving both demand and supply side stakeholders.

The survey will be launched in December 2015.

The survey link will be made available on our website: http://innovationithospitals.com/

We welcome your participation!

EPP eHealth Future Plans

The next steps are as follows:

- 1. Collaborate with ERASMUS MC to finalise Community of Learning visit
- 2. Prepare and organise the second training session on Innovation Procurement & Market Engagement
- 3. Identify locations and best practice cases for future Community of Learning visits
- 4. Prepare and launch the stakeholder online survey
- 5. Prepare the next newsletter

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