

Unknown Country Exercise

Action: Provide patients with best available treatment through an optimised screening process

Country: D

Theme: HCP Communication & Capacity **Project Lead:**

Objective(s)

- To Identify high / low risk patients to focus resources
- Reduce waiting times for screenings
- Provide patients with best available treatment

Strategy/Activities

- Standardised form of consultation and referral communications (familiarize ophthalmologists with existing guidelines and implement the existing guidelines)
- Optimal clearing system
- Limits to waiting times through targets (pressure from media and NGO etc)
- Raise discussion of DR and DME at National Level

Timing

- Reduce waiting from clearing process in next 6 months
- National guidelines produced by 2017 Q1
- National Guidelines implemented by 2017 Q3

Audiences (Decision Makers/Influencers)

- HCPs
- Central Government
- Commissioners

Messages (Supported by Barometer Data)

- Patients waiting to long for appointments and on the day
- Increase awareness of diabetic complications (1/4 did not know)
- Clinics are at over-capacity for DR screening and governments need to address this (political conversation stalled)

Resource requirements

- PR team and joint messaging for media and government
- Researchers and professional writer to develop National Guidelines (co-produced with NGOs and HCPs) for DME
- Recruit population champions



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Action:

Country: A

Theme:

Project Lead:

Objective(s)

1. Screening and Diagnosis
2. Awareness

Audiences (Decision Makers/Influencers)

- Medical Societies and Ministry of Health (1)
- Medical Societies and Patient Organizations working in Diabetes and blindness and disabilities (2)

Strategy/Activities

- National program for screening based on primary care (local communities)
- National coordination for Diabetes with all stakeholders

Messages (Supported by Barometer Data)

- Awareness against Diabetic Retinopathy
- Too few are screening, every Diabetes patient needs to be screened!

Timing

- Build committee (1-6 months)
- Create screening plan (7-18 months)
- Create awareness campaign (7-18 months)
- Start screening plan for improved treatment (18 months +)

Resource requirements

- Kick off conference
- Expert Panel
- Support Staff
- DR Budget
- Budget for screening

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Action: Improvement of Follow up / Reduction of Incidence

Country: C

Theme: Treatment & Follow-up Project Lead: Patient Organizations

Objective(s)

- To decrease the rate of vision loss linked to delegate treatment
- To initiate a national standard for referral

Audiences (Decision Makers/Influencers)

- Clinicians
- Ministry of Health Authorities

Strategy/Activities

- Publication of the results of incidents reports
- Joint analysis of waits and of improvement with medical societies
- Publication of DR Barometer results on waiting times / install yearly monitoring
- Evaluate the cost of delayed treatment
- Evaluate the current utilization of resources related to treatment and follow-up

Messages (Supported by Barometer Data)

- Eyes on lasting quality
- Rethink the organization of care to reduce waiting times and improve treatment efficacy

Timing

Short term:

- Publication and cost model

Medium Term:

- Modelling and Meetings

Long Term:

- New Structure

Resource requirements

- Writer for publication (4000 Euro)
- Cost model for delayed intervention
- Meeting costs between patients and clinicians
- Design and analysis of annual monitoring
- Process analysis of resource utilization



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Action: To prevent vision loss and blindness through early diagnosis and rapid access to care

Country: E

Theme: Diagnosis/Screening & Capacity **Project Lead:**

Objective(s)

- To increase the number of ophthalmologists who specialize or have knowledge on retinal diseases
- To decrease wait times for eye screening
- To ensure patients are provided the proper care they needs

Strategy/Activities

- Develop a national organization devoted to Diabetic Eye Diseases to bring together all regional professional and patient-led organizations in the country
- Develop a background and recommendation document based on the DR Barometer results

Timing

- National Organization development (12 months +)
- Development of background and recommendation document (6 – 12months)
- Reaching government and health institutions with created document (1 – 2 years)

Audiences (Decision Makers/Influencers)

- National patients and Advocacy Organizations
- Scientific Society of Ophthalmologists
- Government and Health Institutions

Messages (Supported by Barometer Data)

- Create a care pathway for Diabetic Patients that works
- There is a need for more doctors specializing in diabetic eye diseases
- Reduce long wait times

Resource requirements

- Hire a Director / Secretary General to run the National Organization
- Report writer
- PR company to push the document to the right government officials and health institutions