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Person-centred cancer care pathways

Policy recommendations for improving outcomes, experiences and efficiency

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Prioritise earlier detection and care to improve outcomes (with metrics)

- **Person-centred care** enhances patient satisfaction, improves outcomes and reduces pressure on health systems by making the best use of available resources.
- Person-centred cancer care offers a **holistic alternative** that treats people, carers, families and communities as active participants and beneficiaries of trusted health systems.
- For efficient, person-centred care pathways in health systems to be effectively implemented, there must be processes in place to **track and measure performance and outcomes**.
- To improve outcomes, it is vital to **prioritise earlier detection** and equitable access to cancer treatment.



Recommendations for implementing person-centred cancer care

Seven recommendations are broken down further into clear calls to action, accompanied by a short overview of why the topic is important and examples for how the recommendations can be achieved.

1. Enabling swift and effective diagnosis with timely initiation of care
2. Coordinating multidisciplinary cancer care
3. Using digital technologies in the care pathway to optimise processes
4. Incorporating remote care and telemedicine care approaches

Recommendations for implementing person-centred cancer care (*cont.*)

5	Facilitating effective communication and shared decision-making between healthcare professionals, and people with cancer and their carers
6	Embedding supportive care and survivorship approaches along the cancer care pathway
7	Providing financial advice and support to people living with cancer and their loved ones

Call to Action: Enabling swift and effective diagnosis with timely initiation of care

- Co-design cancer information materials with target populations to ensure that they are culturally appropriate and understandable.
- **Implement cancer screening programmes that have been co-designed with target populations.**
- Implement rapid investigation pathways for suspected cancer.
- Implement cancer care pathways to reduce time from diagnosis to treatment.
- Prepare health system capacity for the implementation of precision

“Mission Early”: a global initiative

- **Conduct research** to identify effective early detection and treatment strategies
- **Facilitate knowledge exchange** to scale proven interventions
- **Provide policy guidance** to integrate early care into health systems
- **Drive advocacy and engagement** to elevate early cancer care on political agendas



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