



# EU4Health Programme

for the Union's action  
in the field of health under the MFF 2021-27

EU Civil Society Forum on HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis and TB

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# EU4Health – the Programme

*EU4Health is a clear message that public health is a priority for Europe and it is the instrument to pave the way to a European Health Union*

- **RESPONSE TO COVID-19** - supporting the fight against cross-border health threats and boosting the preparedness and capability to respond effectively to future health crises, including through the European Health Emergency preparedness and Response Authority (HERA)
- **AMBITIOUS VISION** – will go beyond crisis response to support and complement national health policies for strengthening and modernising health systems, reducing inequalities and overcome shared challenges
- **THE LARGEST EVER EU INVESTMENT IN HEALTH** - over €5.3 bn (current prices) invested in health during the next 7 years (2021-27)



# EU4Health – financial envelope

*The financial envelope for the implementation of the Programme for the period 2021 - 2027 shall be:*



**EUR 5.3 billion in current prices**

- Min. 20 % reserved for health promotion and disease prevention actions
- Max. 12,5 % reserved for procurement complementing national stockpiling of essential crisis-relevant products at Union level
- Max. 12,5 % reserved for supporting global commitments and health initiatives
- Max. 8 % reserved for covering administrative expenses



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## Regulation (EU) 2021/522 – EU4Health Programme

- Regulation (EU) 2021/522 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 March 2021 establishing a Programme for the Union’s action in the field of health (‘EU4Health Programme’) for the period 2021-2027, and repealing Regulation (EU) No 282/2014



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# EU4Health – General objectives

*Four general objectives represent the breath and the ambitions of the programme*



- Improve & foster health in the Union



- Protect people from serious cross-border health threats



- Improve access to medicinal products, medical devices crisis-relevant products



- Strengthen health systems



# EU4Health – Specific objectives

*EU4Health will provide the means and the instruments for delivering on the EU Health policy along ten key areas of intervention*

## IMPROVE & FOSTER HEALTH



### Health promotion and disease prevention; cancer

- International health initiatives & cooperation.

## PROTECT PEOPLE



- Prevention, preparedness & response to cross-border health threats;
- Complementing national stockpiling of essential crisis-relevant products;**
- Establishing a reserve of medical, healthcare & support staff.**

## ACCESS TO MEDICINAL PRODUCTS & MEDICAL DEVICES



- Enhancement of availability, accessibility & affordability of medicinal products, medical devices and crisis-relevant products

## STRENGTHEN HEALTH SYSTEMS



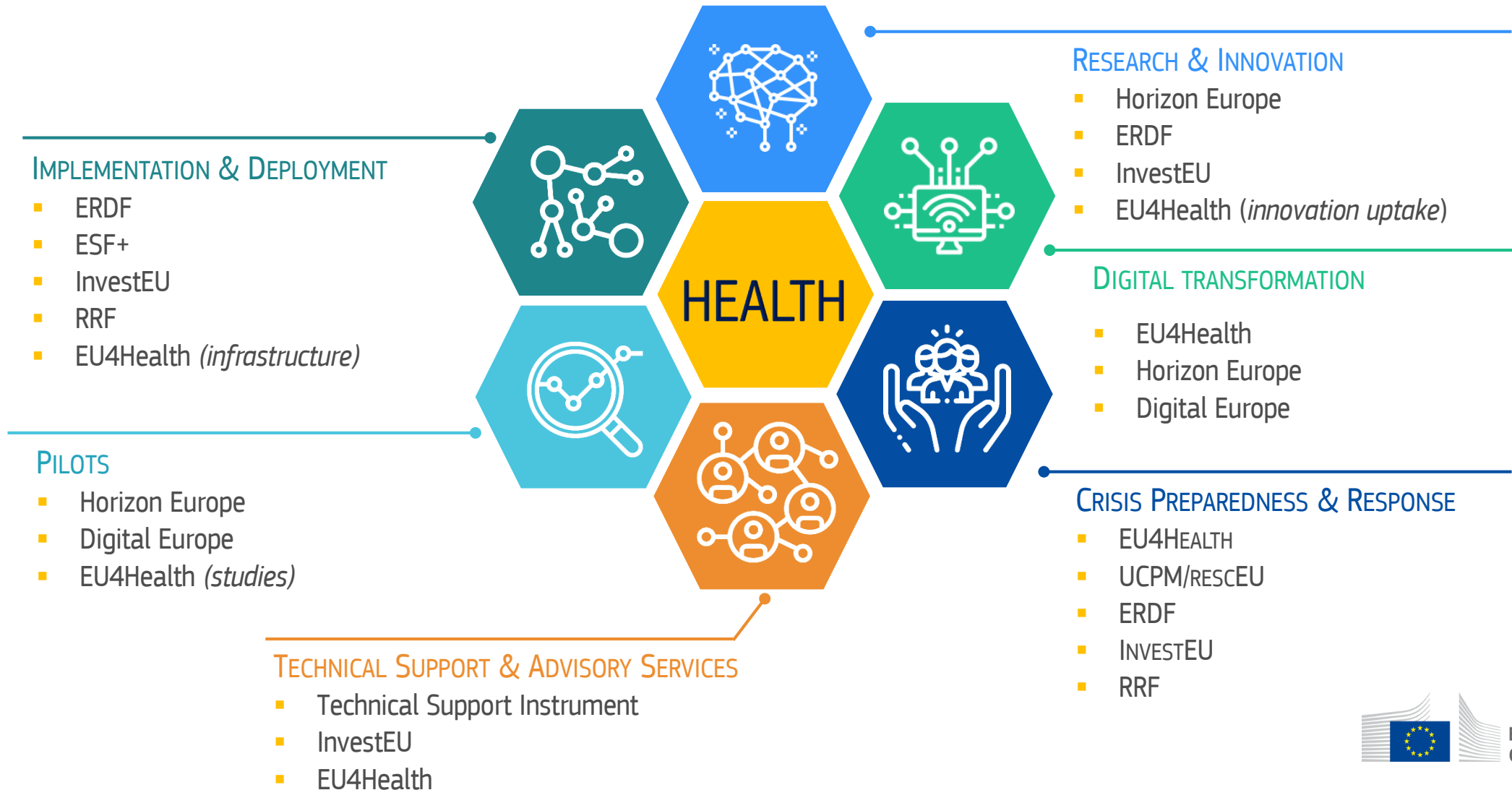
- Strengthening health data, digital tools & services, digital transformation of healthcare;
- Enhancing access to healthcare;
- Developing and implementing EU health legislation and evidence-based decision making;
- Integrated work among MS health systems.

Synergies



# EU4Health – Synergies & Complementarities

An approach by policy area: many instruments contributing to the same objective



# EU4Health – Implementation

## “Public procurement”

*Contracts with economic operators to purchase services or goods on the account of the Commission, either through open tendering procedures or the use of existing framework contracts which were established following competitive procedures*



## “Grants”

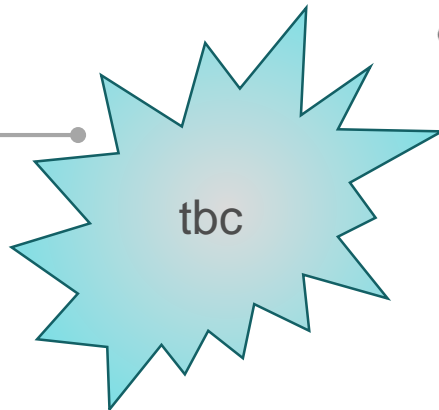
*Direct financial contributions from the European Union budget awarded to beneficiaries engaged in activities that serve Union policies.*

*Guiding principles:*

- *Equal treatment and transparency*
- *Co-financing by the beneficiary and non-profit rule applicable*
- *Non-cumulative, non-retroactive and absence of double financing*

## “Other”

*Possible forms of funding as allowed by the Financial Regulation*



## “Prizes”

*Contests to promote achievements of policy objectives of the Union where one or several beneficiaries are awarded a financial price following a evaluation*



# EU4Health – work programm



- **INPUT, CONSULTATION, INFORMATION** – on priorities and strategic orientation and need to be addressed



- **PREPARATION** – the Commission drafts the annual work programme



- **COMMITTEE PROCEDURE** – opinion of the EU4Health Programme Committee



- **ADOPTION** – implementing acts

STAKEHOLDERS  
(INPUT)

EU4HEALTH STEERING GROUP – MS  
(CONSULTATION)

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT – ENVI COMM.  
(INFORMATION)

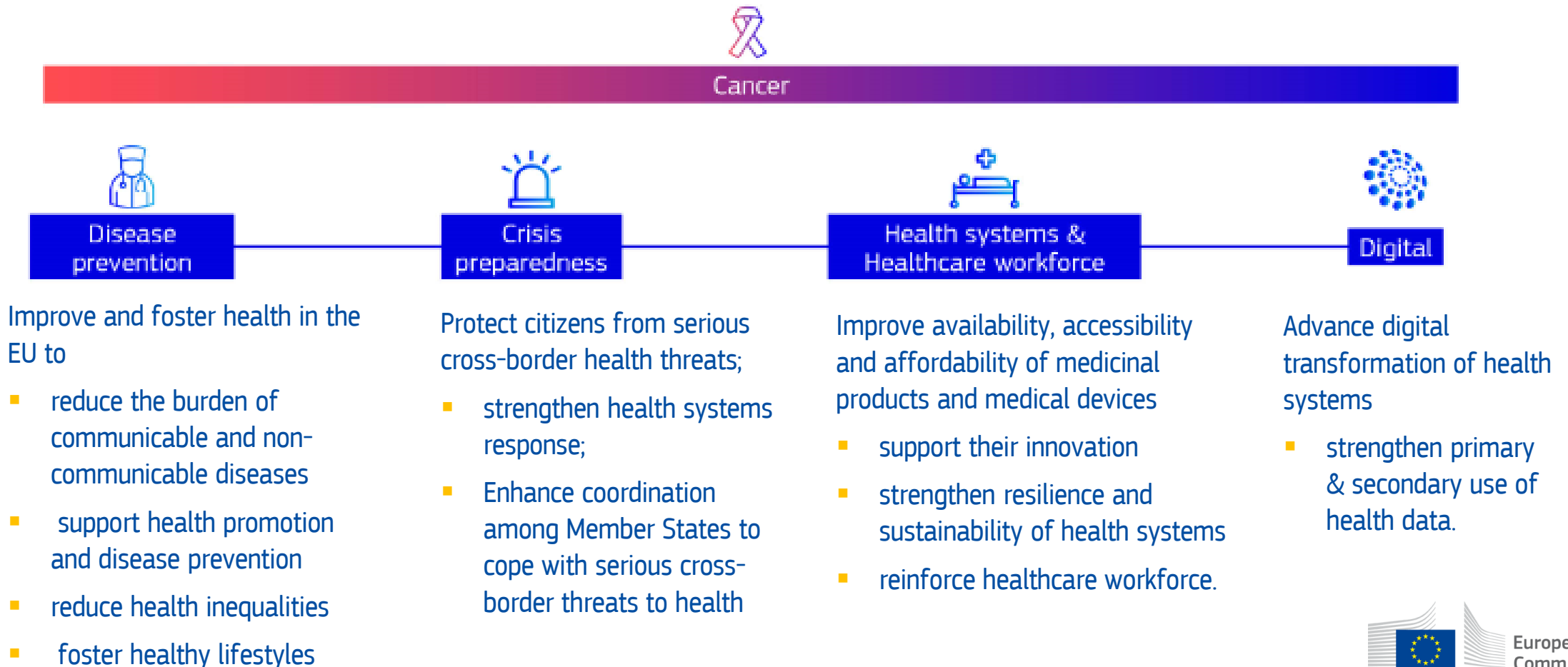
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DG SANTE

EU4HEALTH PROGRAMME COMMITTEE –  
MS (OPINION)

EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
(DECISION)

# EU4Health work programme 2021 – strand of actions

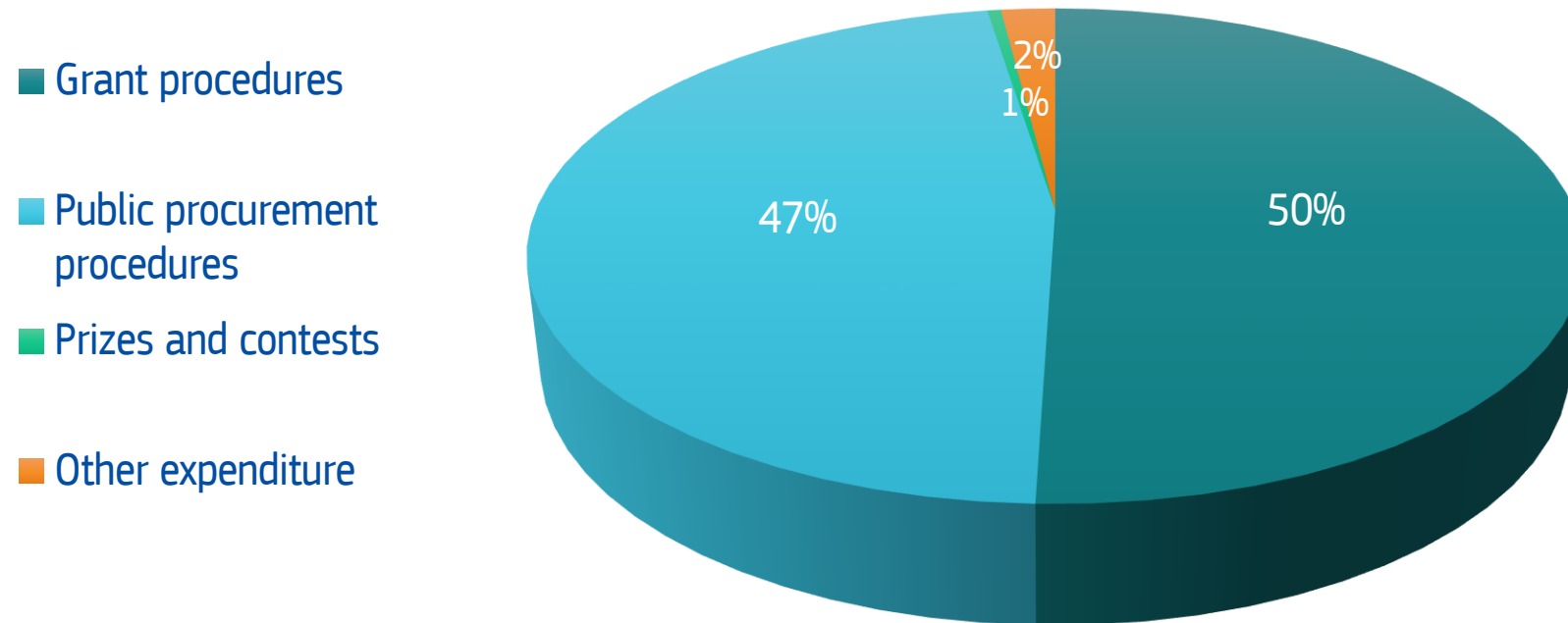
*EU4Health supports **a broad range of actions** under four overarching “strands” with a cross-cutting focus on cancer*



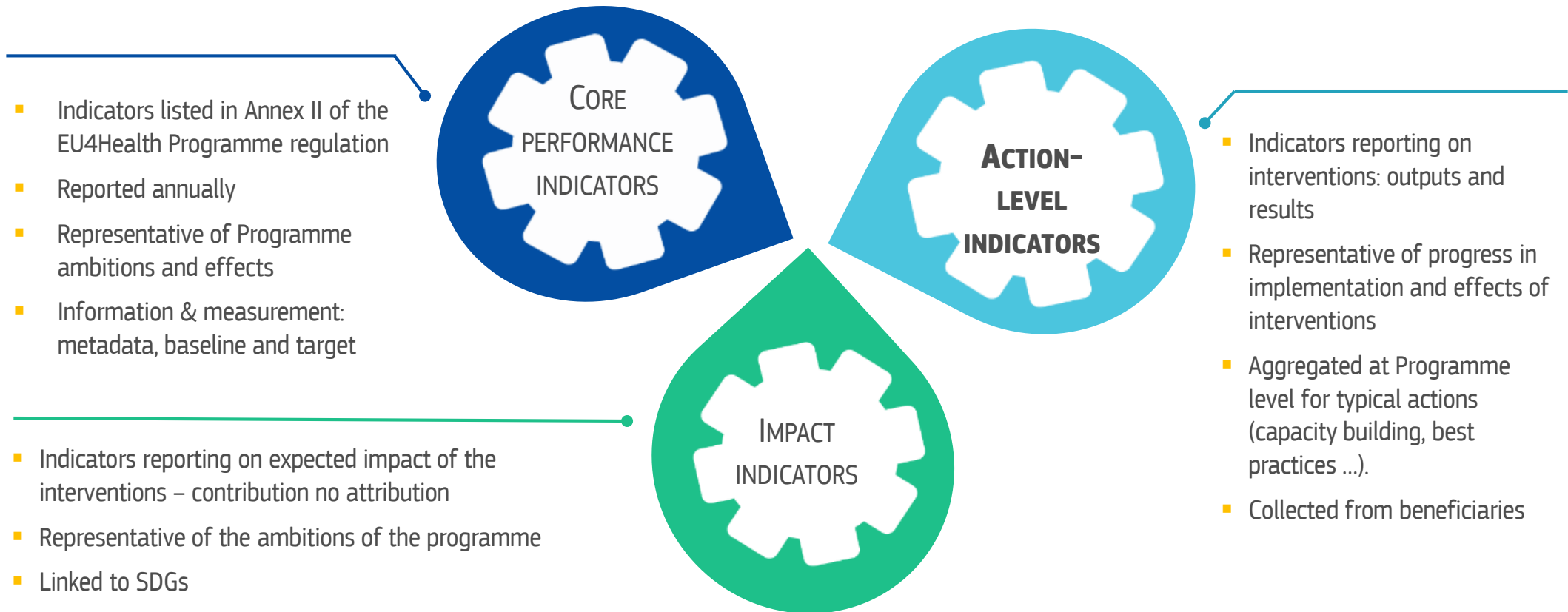
# Budget allocation WP 2021

*EU4Health will be implemented by annual work programmes*

Overall budget 2021: approx. **311 Mio €**



# Performance framework – indicators



# EU4Health – state of affairs

24 March  
2021

- Adoption of the Programme Regulation (EU) 2021/522

24 June  
2021

- **Adoption of the Work Programme 2021**
- Almost 312 million EUR maximum Union contribution
- Four strands of action: crisis preparedness, disease prevention, health systems and the healthcare workforce, and digitalisation.

End 2021/  
early 2022

- Preparatory work for identifying strategic orientations and priorities
- Targeted stakeholders' consultation
- Consulting Member States through the EU4Health Steering Group
- **Adoption of the Work Programme 2022**

# Thank you

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