



The Stakeholder fora

A group of about 600 stakeholders from 5 countries (Germany, Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, and Slovakia) will be involved in all phases of the project, with the aim of gaining a better insight into needs, barriers and facilitators of Health Literacy education, as well as to increase awareness of the topic.

The group of stakeholders will include:

- educational professionals,
- medical and nursing students,
- policy-makers,
- older adults,
- patients and members of patient organizations.

Participation will be encouraged through invitation to events, requests for feedback, focus groups, on-line surveys and interviews.

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Improving Patient-centred Communication Competencies



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Background

Low Health Literacy affects the ability to understand health information, navigate services, use medication, and self-manage one's condition. It affects about 47% of the European population, with serious negative health consequences, especially for older people.

Improving patient-health professional communication reduces the burden of low Health Literacy.

Health Professionals training in medical and nursing faculties currently does not address this issue.

The IMPACCT project

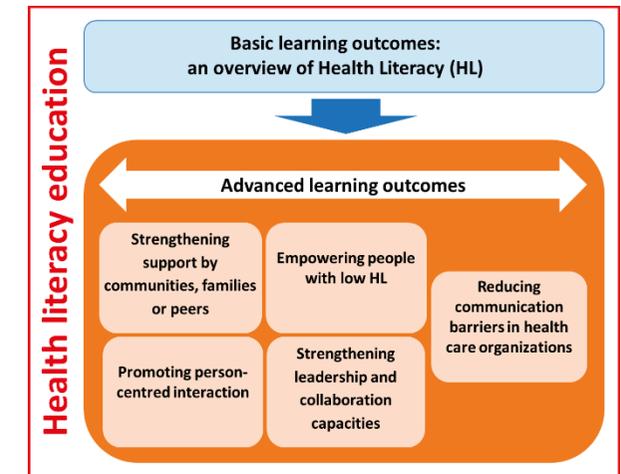
IMPACCT aims to improve the relevance and quality of education of **medical and nursing students** in Europe through the **development and implementation** of an evidence-informed Health Literacy Educational Programme. This will enhance Europe-wide health professionals' **health literacy competencies**.

Patient: « I like my doctor but it is so difficult to understand him. He explained my disease in detail and told me what to do. He also gave me a brochure with more information. I really want to stay as healthy as possible! But honestly, I feel overwhelmed and I am getting really anxious because I still don't know how to deal with this situation ».

What will IMPACCT do?

IMPACCT will develop a **student-centred** learning programme and a free online course, using the **perspectives** and **experiences** of **patients** and **health professionals** to transfer the competencies learnt into practice. The learning programme will be based on current research and will take into account future trends in society and health care systems.

The educational framework



The educational framework adopted is based on main intervention strategies to enhance health literacy outcomes of people with low health literacy. The framework is founded on the acquisition of a comprehensive overview of the latest health literacy concepts, consequences and interventions to promote person-centred prevention and care among older adults with low health literacy. The learning programme will be structured into **Learning Units** addressing low Health Literacy in older people. Each learning unit carries **European Credit Transfers (ECTS)** and will have specific learning objectives, with information on content, teaching format, assessment and evaluation tools. **Integration** of health literacy education in the existing curricula and promotion of **curriculum changes** will be fostered through the flexibility and adaptability of the learning programme.

Innovation in education for better health outcomes

Training

Practice

Work