

About ICTUSnet

ICTUSnet is a project that wants to improve the health care and quality of life of people having a stroke. ICTUSnet has the mission to create a network of collaboration between different regions of southern Europe formed by patients and professionals from different areas related to stroke, covering an area of 20 million inhabitants. At the same time, ICTUSnet aims to create research infrastructures that incorporate innovative data analysis technologies to improve stroke care systems and subsequently reduce the impact of the disease on the population.

To obtain this, the partners have structured the tasks to be performed in 8 work packages:

- WP1: REGIONAL REGISTRIES AND INTEGRATED PLATFORM
- WP2: ARTIFICIAL INTELIGENCE TOOLS (TEXT & IMAGING)
- WP3: ANALYSIS & BENCHMARKING OF STROKE HEALTHCARE PATHWAYS
- WP4: KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER TO HEALTH POLICIES
- WP5: KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE, COLLABORATION & MUTUAL LEARNING
- WP T1: PROJECT MANAGEMENT
- WP T2: COMMUNICATION
- WP T3: EVALUATION

ICTUSnet is planned for 3 years (April 2018 - March 2021)

What will be done in WP5: Knowledge Exchange, Collaboration and Mutual Learning

Objectives

One of the specific objectives of the ICTUSnet is to encourage interregional and international cooperation, in addition to mutual learning, between the partners of the project and beyond. For this, the health professionals and managers, plus other relevant actors related to stroke care – including patients and relatives –, should be able to share their knowledge to learn from each other's experiences and successful practices. WP5 – along with WP4 – of ICTUSnet has been defined to reach this goal.

Tasks

Therefore, the different tasks of WP5 will focus on the organization of different activities to facilitate the creation of spaces where all the actors and regions interested in ICTUSnet can exchange their knowledge and expertise:

- Task 5.1: Organization of five thematic workshops for health professionals to debate on relevant topics related to stroke healthcare and implementation of regional health plans. These workshops will be also open to participants beyond the ICTUSnet consortium, to extend the project's reach.

Tasks

- Task 5.2: Creation of two working groups to support the transfer of two good practices that have been previously identified in the evaluation of processes done in WP3. The working groups will study how the good practices identified can be replicated in other regions to improve the care of stroke patients during the acute phase.
- Task 5.3: Design of a training program for healthcare professionals, so they can meet to exchange their knowledge and be up to date regarding stroke risk factors in the population, stroke management and technical innovations.
- Task 5.4: Realization of a kit to provide tools for planning, management and evaluation of stroke prevention and citizen awareness campaigns to the actors working in these type of activities.

Deliverables

- E5.1.1 – Report with the results of the quality surveys after each workshop
- E5.1.2 – Proceedings de thematic workshops
- E5.2.1 – Summary of the meetings of the two working groups for the transfer of good practices.
- E5.2.2 – Webinars about the selected good practices
- E5.2.3 – Plans to transfer the good practices based on the results of the working groups
- E5.3.1 – Video with interviews to participants of the training programme
- E5.3.2 – Report on the results of the training program and the experiences of the participants
- E5.4.1 – Toolkit for the organization of campaigns for stroke prevention and health promotion for the citizens.

Products

The products of WP5 are directly related to the activities and tools developed in each task:

- Product P5.1: the thematic workshops (5) organized within task 5.1.
- Product P5.2: Plans for the transfer of two good practices for stroke care in acute phase, resulting from Task 5.2.
- Product P5.3: Training program for knowledge exchange between healthcare professionals; implemented in Task 5.3.
- Product P5.4: Toolkit for the organization of stroke prevention and citizen awareness initiatives; developed in Task 5.4.

In summary, WP5 wants to create tools and spaces so all the expertise and lessons learnt from the project can be scaled within the regions participating, and also in other territories interested. This will increase the impact of ICTUSnet to improve the care provided to stroke patients, and the capacity of the regions to develop their stroke plans at all levels.



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