European context
- Patient mobility << 1%
- HC professionals mobility?
- Growing interest of EU standardisation bodies for the HC market.
- Tentative standards for border line issues (esthetic surgery, cleft palate, chiropractors, alternative medicines…)

PaSQ: an EU network…
An EU-level platform for collaboration and networking between:
- 28 Member States + Norway
- International organisations: WHO, OECD, ISQua, EPSO
- European stakeholders in the field of healthcare
  (healthcare professionals, patients, institutions, scientists)

…of National Networks
- National Institutions on Patient Safety (PS)
- Health Care Quality agencies
- Dedicated PS agencies or Department
- Decision makers and financers
- Healthcare professionals
- Patient representatives
- Research teams on PS

Work Plan
- Literature review
- Glossary
Data collection: Nov. 2012 – Feb 2013
Recommendations: Feb – March 2016
Exchange of good practices: April 2015 – March 2016
PaSQ networking approach

- Collective review and selection of good practices (SCPs & GOPs)
- Implementation of safe and transferable SCPs and GOPs
- Support based on exchange of experience and mutual learning
- Commitment of field workers and patients at all stages of the work through NCPs
- Development of IT tools to facilitate commitment and communication
- EU Convergence in the long term

PaSQ network today

- 28 NCPs composing the backbone of the PaSQ network
- Representatives of the main EU stakeholders and international organisations
- 61 partners represented by about 200 colleagues
- 220 HCOs participating in WP5 implementation
- 300 HC professionals involved in the Exchange Mechanism
- 700 contacts receiving PaSQ newsletter

PaSQ Added value

1. About 35 events (international meetings, workshops, webinars, study tours) have been organised in the EU MS to:
   - Exchange information regarding selected clinical and organisational good practices
   - Build relationship between experts and practitioners and decision makers to promote the implementation of good practices in different settings
2. About 200 EU HCOs have implemented and have assessed transferability of selected clinical good practices.
3. About 500 good practices are available in the PaSQ database with relevant contact details.
4. A network of 700 national stakeholders have been developed

Evaluation of EM

Council Conclusions on PS

- WELCOMES the work of the European Network for Patient Safety and Quality of Care (Joint Action PaSQ) on the implementation of the Council Recommendation 2009/C150/01 as regards the exchange and implementation of good practices in Member States;
- RECOGNISES a need for continued and sustainable collaboration at EU level on patient safety and quality of care;
- Develop further work on the dimensions of quality in healthcare, taking into account existing knowledge, including the work of the "Joint Action on patient safety and quality of care" (PaSQ);
- Finalise by December 2016 a framework for a sustainable EU collaboration on patient safety and quality of care, also taking into account the results of the "Joint Action on patient safety and quality of care" (PaSQ);
A Sustainable network for Patient Safety and Quality of Care

1 - PaSQ network has demonstrated that knowledge exchange and mutual learning is a credible alternative to European standardization. Furthermore, this approach contributes to the provision of safe and high quality care in accordance with point 2 & 7 of Art 168 of the treaty.

2 - The sustainable collaboration should further develop this approach, by increasing knowledge transfer via existing PaSQ web tools (database and exchange mechanism) and proposing further implementation tools to support MS in:
- patient involvement/empowerment
- reporting and learning / rapid alert systems
- quality improvement systems European Peer review system
- implementation of good clinical practices

DG HEALTH propositions

- 2014 work program would fund a feasibility study:
  - Mapping of existing standards in HC (at national and international level),
  - Define an EU framework to develop HC standards at EU level:
  - Rejected by 10 MSs and withdrawn by the EC
  - Conducted by CEN without EC mandate and funding.
- 2015 ending of the PaSQ joint action
- New coordinating structure based on expert groups
- Replacing PSQCWG and JA PaSQ
- Involving all stakeholders including industry