Public health: action plan to combat cancer 1996-2000

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1) OBJECTIVE To develop knowledge about the causes of cancer and possible means of preventing it. 2) CONTENTS 1. The Community action plan against cancer is adopted for the period of 1 January 1995 to 31 December 1999. 2. The plan contains 20 measures, covering the essential fields of data collection, public information, education, cancer training for health-care workers, early detection and systematic screening, studies and measures relating to the quality of care, and research. 3. The plan also aims to ensure complementarity with other Community initiatives, including those relating to consumer protection and the protection of workers at work. 4. It is designed to ensure wider dissemination of knowledge of the causes of cancer and of its prevention, and to help Member States fully achieve their objectives in the fight against cancer. 5. The Commission will ensure that there is consistency and complementarity between the Community actions to be implemented under this action plan and under other relevant Community programmes and initiatives, including the biomedical and health research programme under the Community's framework programme for research. 6. An advisory committee consisting of representatives of each Member State will assist the Commission in implementing the action plan. 7. Cooperation with non-member countries and with international organisations competent in the field of public health will be encouraged in the course of implementing the action plan. The EFTA countries and the countries of central and eastern Europe may be associated with the activities described in the Annex under the conditions set out in the agreements concluded with the Community. 8. The Commission will publish an annual report on the progress of the action plan and on potential Community financing in the various fields of action. Source : European Commission - Info92 - 02/96