Conference on

"The challenges of chronic diseases and patients' rights in the framework of EU healthcare sustainability"

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What do we mean for sustainability?

The ability of an **organized system** to remain active over time (in the medium term) overcoming any problem and temporary crisis.

Organised system

- **Preventive care**

- **Diagnosis**   - **Welfare**

- **Treatment**

- **Assistance**

- **Rehabilitative care**

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Sustainability

Politics

Economy

Values of solidarity

Individualistic values

Universal access and Free health

Abandonment of a fair model of healthcare
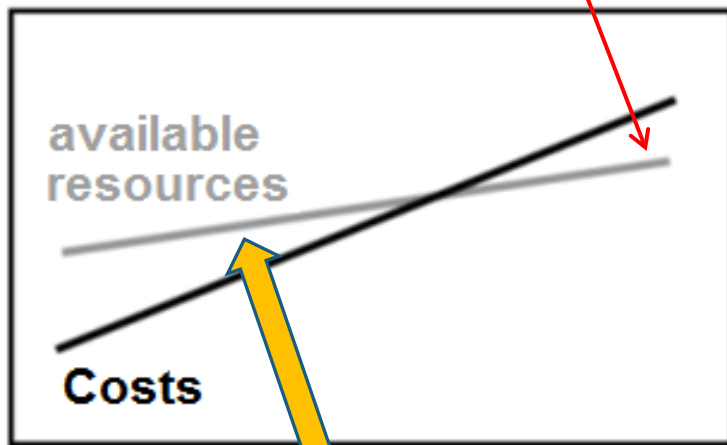
- Availability of resources

- Increase of costs

Sustainability: economic plan

unsustainability

unsustainability

scenario a

available resources

Costs

scenario b

available resources

Costs

- Cost of healthcare treatments
- Increase of needs
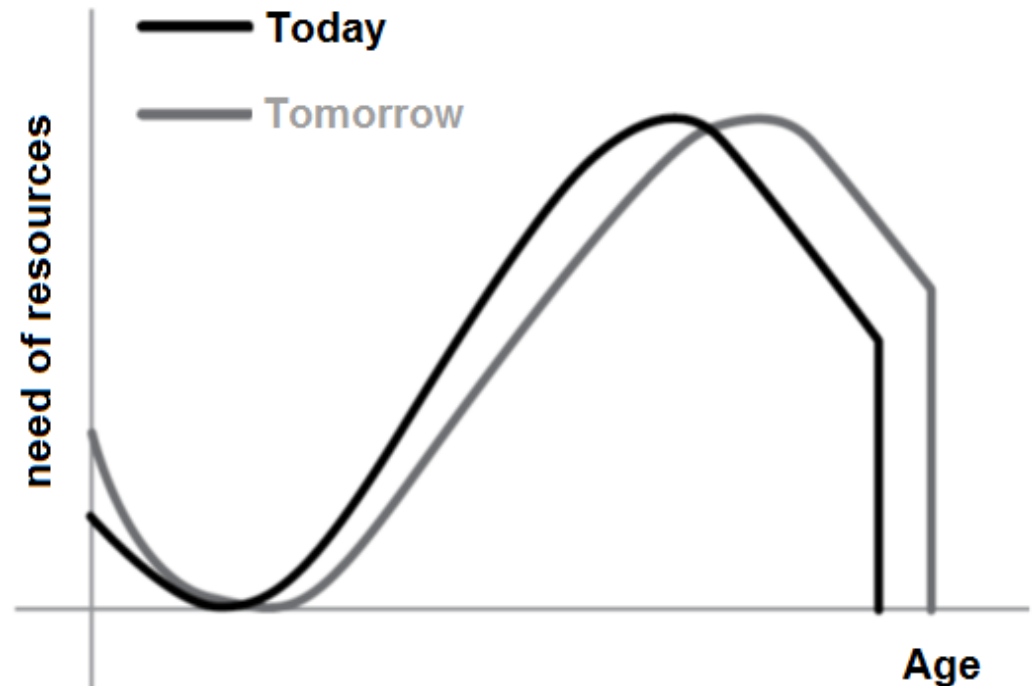
- Recession
- Waste

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Needs increase

* Increase of population's age
* Increase of deseases prevalence
* Increase of needs perception

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Epidemiology

The main cause of healthcare costs increase is not population ageing but the boom of health services beyond the real medical needs

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Alternative healthcare system

Healthcare systems are based on financing healthcare institutes per **amount** of medical services performed instead of the **quality** medical performances

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Alternative healthcare system

Promote the principle of "paying the health, not the disease"

Promote meritocracy through objective, clear and transparent criteria

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INI Report on safer healthcare in Europe: improving patient safety and fighting antimicrobial resistance

* **Voted in ENVI on 24 February:**
- 67 in favour
- 0 against
- 0 abstentions

* **Vote in plenary next week**

Rapporteur, Piernicola Pedicini

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INI report: some data

- Between **8% and 12%** of patients admitted to hospitals in the EU suffer from adverse events, nearly half of which could be avoided

- Approximately **4.1 million** patients suffered of a HAI in the EU every year, **20-30%** of which are considered as preventable

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INI report: patient-centred approach

- Managers of healthcare facilities to be chosen based on their merits, not on their political affiliations

- Healthcare systems must not be affected by austerity measures

- Multidisciplinary approach in medical treatments

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INI report on Patient Safety

- Early warning alert systems on the prevalence and incidence of adverse events in Member States

- Ensure appropriate training of healthcare professionals and verify it

- Potential benefits of eHealth

INI report on Patient Safety

Encourage blame-free and anonymous reporting of adverse events

Oral Amendment on the European Patients' Rights Day

* Para 14(a) new

Recognizes the value of citizens' initiatives, such us the European Charter of Patients' Rights based on the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, and the **European Patients' Rights Day,** which has been organised every year on April 18 since 2007.

Invites the Commission and the Member States to support the European Patients' Rights Day at local, national and EU level.

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Thanks for your attention

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