#### **Cross-border Health Care Unit**

#### Structure, Functions and Responsibilities

The Cross-border Health Care Unit will be responsible for the assessment and assistance of persons seeking healthcare across borders in other EU-EEA countries. Through the National Contact Point (NCP), the unit maintains liaison with other NCPs in the EU and the Commission.

## Responsibilities

- To address any queries on cross-border health care;
- To assist individuals to arrive at the best possible decision on the best route to access health care across borders;
- To coordinate prior authorisation before travel to other centres;
- To coordinate reimbursement post-health care in other countries;
- To maintain updated and appropriate information on Cross-Border Health care Directive and its ramifications for the general public;
- To maintain data and statistics and monitor the activities of the Unit.

## **General Description of the Categories of Documents Held**

- Strategies
- Policies
- International Health Care Publications

Description of all manuals and similar types of documents which contain policies, principles or rules or guidelines in accordance with which decisions or recommendations are made in respect of members of the Public:

• Rules of Procedure

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