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## **EASPD: Online social summit "Social services & Covid-19: what role for the EU?"**

EASPD organiseert op 25/06 samen met 10 andere EU netwerken een 'social summit' om aandacht te vragen van Europa voor de situatie in de sociale sector en in zorgvoorzieningen. We hopen met vele honderden te kunnen duidelijk maken dat sociale diensten essentiële service verstrekken aan miljoenen Europeanen die het niet zo gemakkelijk hebben.



### **Social services and Covid-19: what role for EU?**

We will bring together social care and support service providers working on the front line facing Covid-19 and European Union representatives on 25th June to discuss the role of the European Union in supporting social service provision and how they can help to ensure the delivery of high quality social care and

support in the months and years to come.

### Join us to:

- **Raise awareness of your issues with EU policymakers**
- **Contribute to a more effective EU response to Covid-19 that will reach social care and support service providers**
- **Learn from the experiences of other social care and support service providers**

### Register here now!

Everyday Social Services provide **crucial care and support to millions of people in Europe**, helping older persons, persons with disabilities, children, people at risk of poverty, homeless persons, migrants, people suffering from domestic violence and many others to live better, healthier and more active lives. **In short, #SocialServicesAreEssential Services.**

In the face of COVID-19, **Social service providers have moved quickly to ensure they can maximise the care and support they deliver**, whilst also ensuring that those involved can do so in safe and healthy conditions. The use of technology has played a huge part in achieving that. Yet, COVID-19 has also meant that many forms of face-to-face support have not been provided, that many social workers have worked under significant pressure and that the financial stability of some service providers has been put at risk.

The European Union is now focusing its attention on recovery, discussing a 1.8 trillion euro investment plan. How will this recovery plan reach support service providers? Can these funds help services to respond to the challenges social services face in with shortages of Personal Protective Equipment, increasing the uptake of digital solutions or providing adequate training of staff.

**Taking place on 25th June 10h00-12h00 CEST**, this Summit will bring together grassroots workers engaged on the front line facing Covid-19, as well as European Union spokespersons, to together discuss the role of the European Union in supporting social services during these difficult times.

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