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DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

The Director-General

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Director-General of the Health
Ministries of the Member States

Subject: Health Union Fellowship Third Cohort

Dear Director-General,

I am pleased to inform you that **applications are now open** for the third edition of the **Health Union Fellowship**, an initiative supported by the EU4Health Programme.

Building on the success of the first two editions, we remain committed to providing a platform for learning, exchange and capacity building on EU health policy, and to creating a lasting community of experts. The third cohort will include five face-to-face training modules designed to maximise opportunities for peer learning and sharing of best practices, mentoring and networking.

A detailed overview of the programme and nomination procedure can be found attached to this communication. The Health Union Fellowship team remains available to provide any needed clarification and can be contacted at HEALTH-UNION-FELLOWSHIP@ec.europa.eu.

Similar to the previous editions, we would kindly request that you provide **a ranked list of three potential fellows and a mentor by 4 December 2026**. Please note that this year, DG SANTE will not be providing mentors for countries unable to nominate one. You can find additional information on this matter, as well as suggested CV template for fellows and the mentor, in the supporting materials attached to this communication. Additionally, we would be grateful if you could confirm whether the contact details for the single point of contact need to be updated or remain unchanged from last year.

We look forward to another year of fruitful collaboration.

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosure: Suggested CV template for fellows and mentors
Information package

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