



EU Reference Network Directive 2011/24/EU

Art. 12: The Commission shall support Member States in the development of European reference networks between healthcare providers and centres of expertise in the Member States, in particular in the area of rare diseases

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Art 12 (4): The Commission shall

(a) adopt a list of specific criteria and conditions

→ Commission Delegated Decision 2014/286/EU

(b) develop and publish criteria for establishing
and evaluating European reference networks

→ Commission Implemented Decision 2014/287/EU



EU Reference Networks shall have at least **three** of the following objectives (1/2)

1. to help realise the potential of European cooperation by exploiting innovations in medical science and health technologies;
2. to contribute to the pooling of knowledge regarding sickness prevention;
3. to facilitate improvements in diagnosis and the delivery of healthcare in medical domains where expertise is rare;
4. to maximise the cost-effective use of resources;



EU Reference Networks shall have at least **three** of the following objectives (2/2)

5. to reinforce research, registries and provide training for health professionals;
6. to facilitate mobility of expertise, and to foster developments of the diagnosis and treatment of rare diseases;
7. to encourage the development of quality and safety benchmarks;
8. to help Member States to provide highly specialised services of high quality.



EU Reference Network Comm. Delegated Decision 2014/286/EU

Setting out criteria and conditions that European Reference Networks and healthcare providers wishing to join a European Reference Network must fulfil

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EU Reference Network Comm. Implemented Decision 2014/287/EU

Setting out criteria for

- establishing and evaluating European Reference Networks and their Members
- facilitating the exchange of information and expertise on establishing and evaluating such Networks

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