Rx online in Europe



EU Representation by the EAMSP



EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF MAIL SERVICE PHARMACIES

Activities

The European association of Mail Service Pharmacies is not only a representative of its members' interests, but it also works out concrete policies in many areas of medicinal drug supply. Currently, these are 4 priorities:

- The continuous improvement of medicinal drug safety
- The development of European integration by means of eHealth concepts
- Improvement of the supply of veterinary medicinal drugs
- The fight against counterfeit medicinal drugs and illegal vendors

Members



















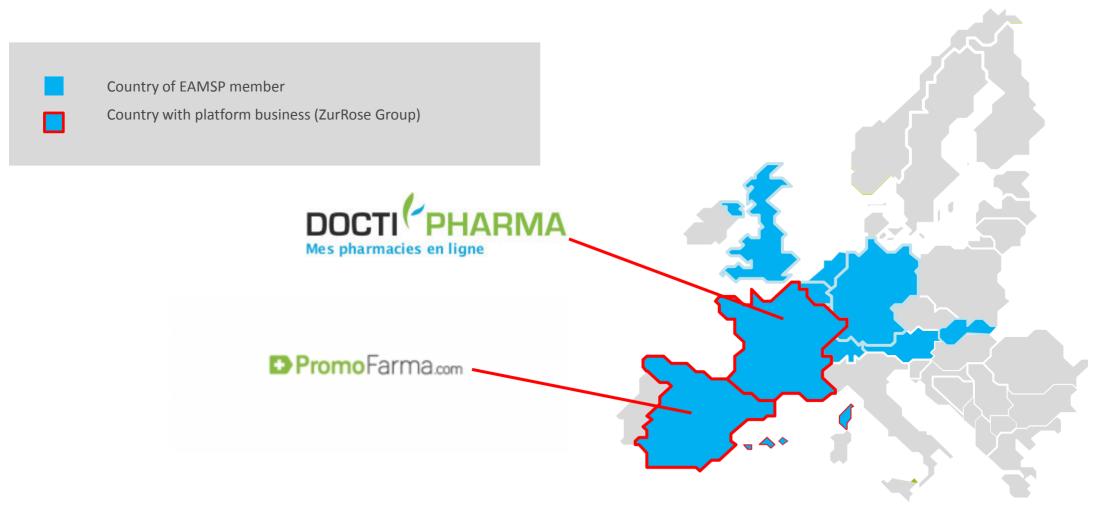




EAMSP EU-Map: members and platforms



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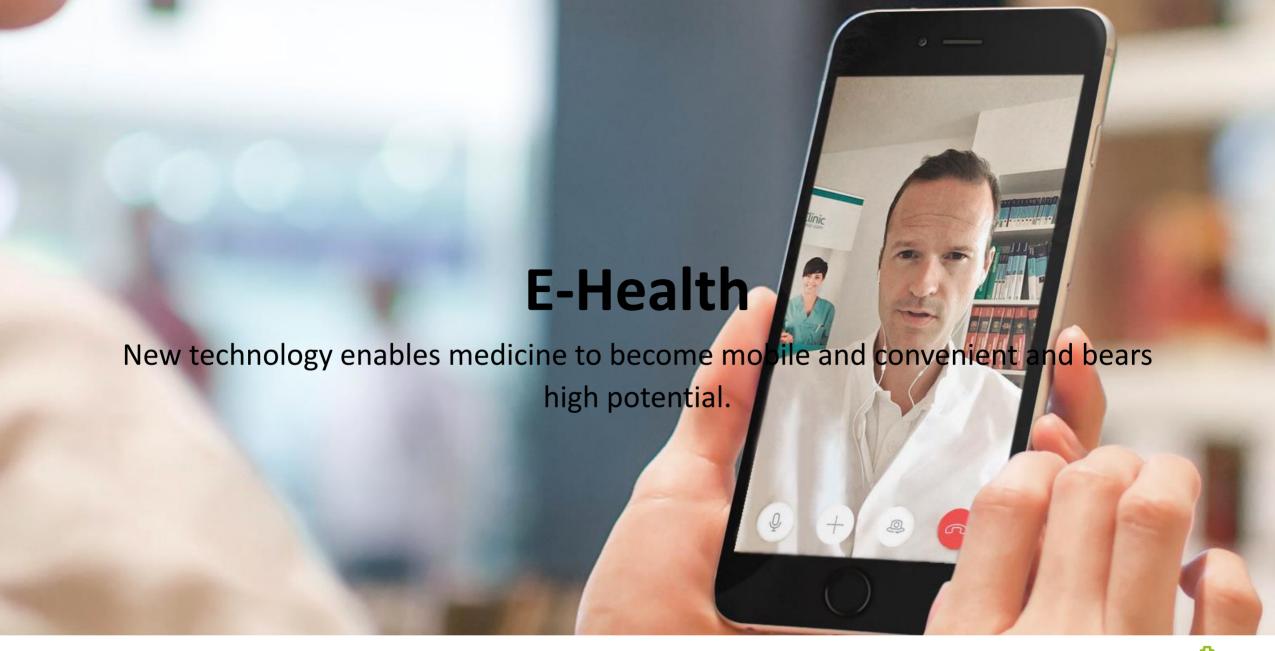




"Change has never happened this fast before, and it will never be this slow again."

Graeme Wood







Let us take a look at the European Union

The European Commission is working to provide its citizens access to safe and top quality digital services in health and care



Source: https://ec.eur opa.eu/digitalsinglemarket/en/eur opean-policyehealth



Three priorities

- Citizens' secure access to their health data, also across borders- enabling citizens to access their health data across the EU;
- Personalised medicine through shared European data infrastructure - allowing researchers and other professionals to pool resources (data, expertise, computing processing and storage capacities) across the EU;
- Citizen empowerment with digital tools for user feedback and person-centred care using digital tools to empower people to look after their health, stimulate prevention and enable feedback and interaction between users and healthcare providers.

Source: https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/european-policy-ehealth



But let's talk about Rx online!

General conditions in Europe

 EU law permits mail-order OTC sales despite the fact that the sale of pharmaceuticals by mail order is not permitted in the member states

Rx mail-order is only permitted in some countries

 Structures with a strong national basis have considerable political influence on the healthcare systems

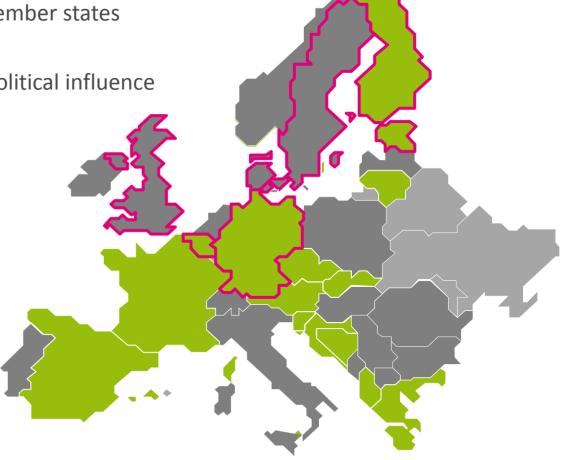
EU legislation gaining in significance

eHealth already being used in some states

OTC pharmaceuticals can only be purchased in pharmacies

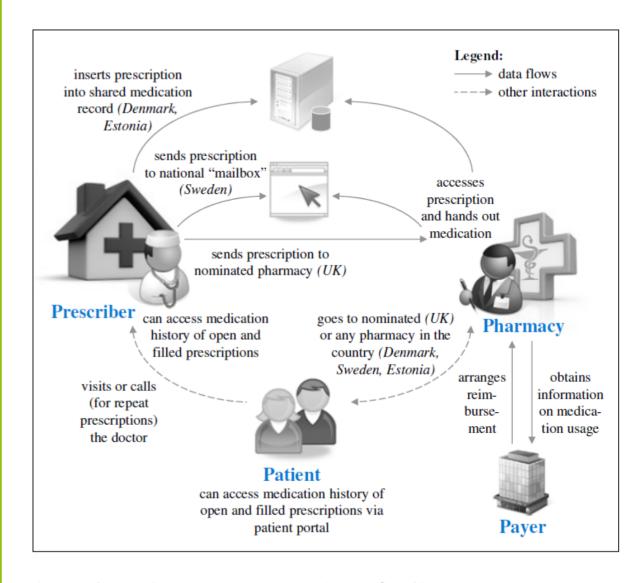
OTC pharmaceuticals can be purchased partly in supermarkets, chemists, petrol stations etc.

Rx mail-order





Simplified Overview of e-prescriptions in Primary Care.



Source: Working Paper Series – No. 5; European E-Prescriptions:; Benefits and Success Factors



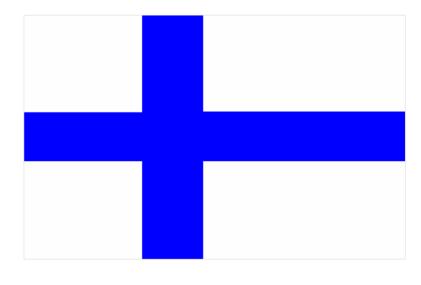
Examples of countries that have introduced the e-prescription



But mind: different countries, different systems!



Today, the first EU patients can use digital prescriptions issued by their home doctor when visiting a pharmacy in another EU country: Finnish patients are now able to go to a pharmacy in Estonia and retrieve medicine prescribed electronically by their doctor in Finland.







What's the Vision?





Thank you!

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