A CALL TO ACTION FOR EUROPEAN POLICY MAKERS

Well-being and long-term health are increasingly recognised as important drivers for an equitable and prosperous Europe.

HIV Outcomes strongly believes that the promotion of well-being and the prevention of diseases and social exclusion are of major importance and that they are also key aspects in reducing future public expenditure, increasing productivity and extending working life.

HIV Outcomes is therefore calling for political leadership to ensure that the long-term health outcomes and quality of life of people living with HIV are high on the political agenda and that Europe delivers on its commitment to tackle communicable diseases.

The following concrete actions from policy makers are needed to deliver on this agenda:

1. Call on the European Commission to adopt an action plan to support EU Member States in reaching SDG relevant to HIV, achieving the UNAIDS global 90-90-90 goals, and promoting a multidisciplinary, people-centred and outcomes focused approach to long term HIV care

2. Call on the European Commission to mandate the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) and provide adequate resources to ensure that Member States are collecting data about health system responses to long-term health challenges faced by people living with HIV

3. Commission a study from the Parliament’s Research Services to understand the evolution of HIV as a long-term condition

4. Call for significant funds to be dedicated to making concrete progress in addressing the long-term health needs of people living with HIV at both the national and local level (see above)

5. Cooperate with members of national Parliaments to support the HIV Outcomes’ agenda to address issues for people living with HIV at country level

6. Hold regular meetings with civil society representatives to increase understanding of the issues at stake for people living with HIV