

# The next step for digital access to healthcare

**European Association of E-Pharmacies** 





## Why online pharmacy?

Using digital solutions and data to help people get the best individual care

### E-pharmacies' DNA









### (Cross-border) digital access to medicines in Europe



Access to e-prescriptions, electronic health records & databases



**Country of origin & country of destination standards/rules** 







#### (Cross-border) digital access to medicines in Europe



OTC – 19 countries OTC and Rx – 11 countries

- Rx 1 country
- Regulatory barriers still prevent free choice of pharmacy for patients





Electronic prescription and prescription medicine online not available everywhere across the EU

Lack of true European Health Union

Discriminatory measures prevent full access to infrastructure Key trends for online pharmacies in Europe

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## 3 main priorities for the European Health Data Space



Create the necessary infrastructure to exchange key data for primary use

**Promote interoperability and overall harmonisation of standards across the EU** 

**Speed up the spread of telehealth services** 

### New opportunities ahead



Online pharmacies, which adhere to strict controls and safety regulations, should be permitted to **deliver prescription drugs** online in the future?



### Conclusion

**Online pharmacies are partners** in ensuring availability, accessibility and affordability of medicines



Need to promote access to digital health and break some of the barriers that are still slowing down patients' access to healthcare – the EU is a key actor to make the difference!





### THANK YOU

#### Do you have any further thoughts?

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