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EURONHID

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The main aims of EuroNHID were to enhance and maintain co-operation, communication, and exchange of information on highly infectious diseases among infectious disease clinicians, and to enhance preparedness and response within Europe to health threats from highly infectious diseases, whether naturally occurring, newly emergent, or deliberately released. The focus of this network was on health care professionals. Clinicians have the huge responsibility of performing a diagnosis of suspect, providing information to identify an outbreak and providing care during one. They also must apply the required isolation procedure to reduce the risk of transmission to relatives and contacts and control the spread of the disease to other patients, to health care workers and ultimately to the general public. The EUNID network led to a forum to exchange good practices and share expertise and experiences: to compile an inventory of high isolation facilities and to develop consensus recommendations for highly infectious disease management.

A networking strategy was also adopted in order to develop a specifically designed, evidence?based checklists to assess hospital capabilities on resources, infection control

policies and HCW safety in the management of patients with HIDs (
https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/19486074
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