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A NEW COALITION FOR VACCINATION BRINGS TOGETHER HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

European associations of healthcare professionals have established a Coalition for Vaccination to commit to delivering accurate information to the public, combating myths and exchanging best practices. The Coalition is based on the 2018 EU Council Recommendation on strengthened cooperation against vaccine-preventable diseases.

Healthcare professionals play a crucial role in delivering facts based on scientific evidence and increase public awareness about the benefits of immunisation. The members of the new Coalition gathered in Brussels to discuss their potential commitments on 11 September, a day before the Global Vaccination Summit, organised by the European Commission and the World Health Organization (WHO).

The Coalition is co-chaired by the Standing Committee of European Doctors (CPME), the European Federation of Nurses Associations (EFN) and the Pharmaceutical Group of the European Union (PGEU). It is also backed up by the European Commission which provides coordination and administrative support.

The members of the Coalition for Vaccination take the opportunity to remind that vaccination is the most successful and cost-effective public health intervention, currently preventing between 2 and 3 million deaths in the world every year.

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