

MNI activity report Q2 2021

24 June 2021

Topic	Objective	Update on recent developments and next steps
ONCA	Promote screening and nutritional care strategies at the national level under the banner "Optimal Nutritional Care for All" (ONCA)	New ENHA Executive Director Niamh Rice stepped down as ENHA Executive Director. Joost Wesseling was nominated new ENHA Executive Director by ENHA Trustees on 18 May. ENHA recommendations on Europe's Beating Cancer Plan implementation ONCA published 7 recommendations for the implementation of optimal nutritional cancer care at EU member state level (read more). Next steps EHNA will continue contributing to Europe's Beating Cancer Plan via the European Commission Steering group on Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Cancer sub-group Nov 2021: Online workshop to maintain contact between countries/initiatives Nov 2021: EU4Nutrition event to be organised under Slovenian EU presidency May 2022: Conference in Copenhagen with participation of MoH
Cooperation with patient groups	Leverage patients voice on nutrition	EPF update Lighter agenda on nutrition, excluding nutritional care. EPF is still cooperating with ESPEN to develop lay version of guidelines. Publication timeline still uncertain. Many resources spent in 2020-2021 on capacity building, educating young leaders advocating for patients. No plan so far to investigate on long-Covid-19 symptoms and recovery. MNI wil reconnect with the EPF once the Code of Conduct is published to assess cooperation on nutritional care.
Regulatory affairs	Ensure an appropriate	Mapping of global topics Members are consolidating a list of global topics to develop guidance documents for member companies,

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	Regulatory Environment for Enteral Nutrition	setting up common grounds for FSMPs – In progress: • Definition FSMPs & composition / innovation • Scientific evidence to support the use of FSMPs in clinical trials and premarket approval • Labelling & nutrition labelling of FSMPs • Manufacturing Standards and Testing
		Organic FSMPs No progress to report yet.
		 Next steps: Q2-Q3: reply to the European Commission's questions on Organic Labelling for FSMPs Q3-Q4: follow-up call with the European Commission on Organic Labelling for FSMPs Q3: development of a position paper to differentiate FSMPs from dairy products Q3: FAQs on FSMPs and medical nutrition sector
Market Access	Ensure that decision-makers and payers are aware of medical nutrition interventions' economic value and provide rapid and sustained access to all appropriate patients who would benefit from these interventions, when and where they need it	 Market Access WG support to COVID-19 Task Force The WG is selecting an external agencies to assess the impact of malnutrition in COVID-19 patients in hospital and in post-discharge to homecare and community. This will feed into the work of the COVID-19 TF. Next steps: Q3: findings of the health-economic evaluation of medical nutrition in Covid-19 patients in the continuum of care Q3: develop a presentation with the key findings of the MNI Oncology Dossier

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Communication	 Raise MNI profile Position malnutrition as a public health issue Educate on the role of medical nutrition in disease management To center communications on 3 focal points: COVID-19, malnutrition in cancer and MN awareness. 	

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Relationship with ESPEN	 Establish trust & ensure a good and sustainable relationship with ESPEN Strengthen MNI's influence on ESPEN priority setting and activities 	ESPEN-ONCA-MNI Joint Session Confirmed 13th September 2021, 11:45-13:00 – online event Theme: cancer. Discussion on speakers in progress. 2021 MNI Grant CONFIDENTIAL - The MNI-ESPEN joint selection committee has agreed on the 2021 MNI Grant Winner as follows: "An intelligent online platform to predict adverse outcomes from cancer-related malnutrition using the GLIM criteria" submitted by AuSPEN, Australia. The winner will be announced during the ESPEN-ONCA-MNI Joint Session.
Parenteral nutrition and Home Parenteral Nutrition	Raise awareness on the benefits of parenteral nutrition in the ambulatory sector	Discharge pathway for HPN patients Awaiting for ESPEN project proposal by end of June. HPN Access Mapping After a slow start, the HPN TF is satisfied with the progress on the interview of healthcare professionals. Interviews progress: • Completed: 20/24 (FR, DE, IT, PL, ES) • Booked: 2/24 (NL/BE) • Still to be booked: 2/24 (DK, HR) Next steps: • Q3: finalisation of the Report & Infographic on HPN Access Mapping • Q4: publication of findings
National Industry groups / GROW project	Grow the medical nutrition market in Europe	GROW The criteria and process for GROW-6 are under consideration and were presented to the Executive Committee on 24 June. MNI-NIGS Annual Meeting
		Monday 27 th September, 15:00-16:00 CET

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Code of Conduct	Develop a code of conduct to strengthen MNI reputation and credibility toward stakeholders	The lawfirm is running an informal check with DG Competition at European Commission. Next steps: Q3: publication of the Code of Conduct on MNI Website.
Public Affairs	Advance MNI objectives by leading policy and advocacy initiatives	As the Europe's Beating Cancer Plan now moves into its implementation phase, the PAWG has published

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		Next steps: • Q2-Q3: publication of the EONS #NutriCaNurse Booklet and of scientific article
COVID-19 & nutrition	Establish the role of medical nutrition in the management of COVID-19 patients	The Task Force approved an extension of the project to include nutritional care in the hospital / ICU to
News from the MNI secretariat		MNI Executive Director After seven years successfully driving the MNI as Executive Director, Léa Coulet steps down to start a new chapter of her life. All members have sent her warm greetings and thanked her for the valuable contribution bringing the MNI to a different level. Elena Miceli will be Acting Executive Director during the recruitment and transition phase. All MNI meetings in 2021 will be virtual, including the October workshop. Executive Committee meetings in 2021 • 24th June • 14th September • 25th November MNI Workshops • 14th October