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EU funding planned for the Cypriot health system under the cohesion policy for 2021-2027 and the Recovery and Resilience Facility amounts to respectively EUR 5 million¹ and around EUR 100 million². While no specific funding is allocated to women's health, the overall strengthening of the health system is expected to contribute to women's health.

Horizon 2020³ and the Horizon Europe⁴ projects portfolio related to women's health include 15 projects worth EUR 47 million that are conducting research related to endometriosis. Information about currently open and upcoming funding opportunities for further research on gynaecological diseases, including endometriosis, can be found through the EU Funding and Tenders Portal⁵.

Moreover, with specific relevance to delivering tangible improvements in the provision of healthcare, the Commission is mainstreaming gender into its health policy and supports Member States in reducing the burden of non-communicable diseases (NCDs), including conditions such as endometriosis, under the 'Healthier Together' initiative⁶. Under this framework, the EU4Health programme⁷ provides funding for actions related to the prevention and management of NCDs. Furthermore, the Commission supports best practice exchange among Member States via the EU Best Practices Portal⁸. The Commission is also supporting them under the EU4Health Programme⁹ through Europe's Beating Cancer Plan¹⁰. The European Cancer Inequalities Registry¹¹ monitors Member States' performance in cancer care, including the gender dimension. The 2022 Council Recommendation on cancer screening¹² takes due account of specific needs of women. Accordingly, the project SOLACE¹³ aims to enhance female participation in lung cancer screenings.

¹ Open Data Portal for the European Structural Investment Funds

https://cohesiondata.ec.europa.eu/cohesion_overview/21-27.

² European Commission Fenix database (current as of 14 August 2025).

³ https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/funding/funding-opportunities/funding-programmes-and-open-calls/horizon-2020_en.

⁴ https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/funding/funding-opportunities/funding-programmes-and-open-calls/horizon-europe_en.

⁵ <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home>.

⁶ Healthier together – EU non-communicable diseases initiative https://health.ec.europa.eu/non-communicable-diseases/healthier-together-eu-non-communicable-diseases-initiative_en.

⁷ EU4Health programme 2021-2027 - a vision for a healthier European Union https://health.ec.europa.eu/funding/eu4health-programme-2021-2027-vision-healthier-european-union_en.

⁸ Best practices Portal <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/dyna/bp-portal/>.

⁹ https://health.ec.europa.eu/funding/eu4health-programme-2021-2027-vision-healthier-european-union_en.

¹⁰ https://health.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2022-02/eu_cancer-plan_en_0.pdf.

¹¹ <https://cancer-inequalities.jrc.ec.europa.eu/>.

¹² https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.C_.2022.473.01.0001.01.ENG.

¹³ Strengthening the screening of lung cancer in Europe (SOLACE): https://health.ec.europa.eu/non-communicable-diseases/cancer/europes-beating-cancer-plan-eu4health-financed-projects/projects/solace_en.