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According to Article 168(7) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union¹, Member States are responsible for the organisation and delivery of health services and medical care, including the management thereof and the allocation of the resources assigned to them.

In 2020, 2022 and 2023, Greece received country-specific recommendations to ensure adequate and equal access to healthcare. They were reflecting, among others, the share of the surveyed population reporting forgone medical needs (12.1% in 2024)². As concerns overall EU-level support to the Greek health system, please see the reply to parliamentary question E-001242/2025³.

Under the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF), Member States design national recovery and resilience plans outlining reforms and investments addressing country-specific challenges identified through the European Semester. Those policy actions shall be in line with EU objectives and meet the specific RRF requirements.

The measures funded under the Recovery and Resilience Plan, the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)⁴ and the European Social Fund Plus (ESF+) are expected to improve health services in Greece and support the principle of equal access to health services, efficiency and social cohesion.

¹ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:12012E/TXT&from=en>.

² <https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/databrowser/bookmark/bac814b3-7a51-4326-8709-5d060d9796e9?lang=en>.

³ https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2025-001242-ASW_EN.html.

⁴ Greece has earmarked EUR 362 million from the ERDF to support health infrastructure and equipment at all levels of the National Health System across regions.