

Information Day on European Commission Public Health Programme

Advice from a successful participant

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Special Olympics



Special Olympics in brief



- Provide year-round sports training and athletic competition around the world for children and adults with intellectual disabilities
- 4,700,000 global athletes
- 108,000 competitions
- 169 Countries
- Recently in the news for our World Winter Games in Austria



Healthy Athletes



- Our athletes with the most serious needs are provided with specialised care and follow up on site
- 900 Clinics
- 133,593 Athletes exams
- 19,119 Clinical Volunteers
- 57 Countries
- Kindly part-funded by the European Commission



European Commission support



- 4 years of financial support from 2014 to 2017
- Healthy Athlete clinics and screenings
- Partial operating expense relief



A young athlete healthy clinic (Romania)



Advice and guidance on successful submissions:



- Be aware of the ‘calls for proposal’
- Ensure your organisation fits the funding stream
- Familiarise yourself with the participant portal and its requirements (PIC/LEARS)
- Study the priority areas and specific work plans of the EU health program
- Follow guidelines for the application process
- Plan budget carefully in advance



Advice and guidance cont.:



- Get familiar with EU terms and wording
- Adhere to application timeframes
- Establish a good relationship with your project manager
- Start early with grant writing and reporting especially in relation to submission through the portal
- Ensure you complete the application 'checklist'



Advice and guidance cont.:



- Read agreement and supporting documentation
- Monitor regularly grant activities
- Prepare monthly financials reports (actuals Vs budget)
- Gather information along the way (Clinic/screenings data, EU samples and visibility of EU support)
- Fully understand the reporting criteria



Questions & Answers

Thank you.

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