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Long-term care funding in the Netherlands

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How is long-term care funded in your country?



A patchwork of financial sources

- Public funding: taxes and premiums
- Health or social insurance
 - Health care insurance act (premiums and taxes, mandatory): medical care
 - Long term care insurance act (premiums and taxes, mandatory): long term care
- Regional / municipal funding
 - Social support act (taxes): household care
- Out-of-pocket payments by clients
 - Medical care: 385-885/A, LTC 30-3061/M, social support <22/M

Recent or upcoming reforms

- Ageing in place policy
 - Reablement, family care and community care
 - Technology in home care
 - High thresholds for residential care
- NL system: all providers, mostly not for profit in a “regulated competition”
- Sentiments and concerns towards for profit providers

Strengths and challenges of the current system



Main strengths: private organisations, innovative and rooted in communities

Main challenges: staff shortages and the pace of the transition in LTC

Key message for other EAN members:

LAST, but not the least....

Even though the work we do can be highly technical at times, it's important to remember who we are and who the members we defend work for. The employer union and the branch are tools that ultimately help to improve the lives of millions of people and maintain social cohesion in a period of great uncertainty.

Thanks for your attention.

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