**Annex I**

Milestones, targets and related indicators – non-repayable support

| **#** | **Related measure (reform or investment)** | **M/T** | **Name** | **Qualitative indicators (for milestones)** | **Quantitative indicators (for targets)** | | | **Date for completion** | | **Responsibility for reporting and implementation** | | **Further specification (if necessary)** | **Verification mechanism** | | | **Possible early warning indicators** | **On the spot checks** | **Relevant common indicators** | **Comment** |
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| **Unit** | **Base-line** | **Goal** | **Q** | **Year** | |  |  | **A. Evidence provided** | **B. Detailed justification** | **C. Contribution to achievement of the objectives (link)** |  |  |  |  |
| 315 | C12.R1:Upgrading the strategic framework of the healthcare sector | Milestone | National Strategy for the Mental Health of Citizens of the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030 and action plan for the implementation of the strategy | Adoption of the strategy and the action plan by the Council of Ministers |  |  |  | Q2 | 2021 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy of the adopted National Strategy for the Mental Health of Citizens of the Republic of Bulgaria 2021 – 2030 and its action plan for implementation and a link to the website where the strategy can be accessed 2. Copy of the decision by the Council of Ministers adopting the Strategy and the action plan 3. Appropriate links to or copies of the document(s) mentioned in the summary document | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: National Strategy for the Mental Health of Citizens of the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030 and action plan for the implementation of the strategy  How: entry into force (evidenced by a and b), reporting (c)  Why: The National Strategy for the Mental Health of Citizens of the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030 shall set out the strategic goals and priorities over a ten-year period and provide recommendations covering: the integration of psychiatric care into community-based and at-home service provision (deinstitutionalisation) for people suffering from mental illness and eating disorders; shortages of staff working in the field of mental health; renovation needs of the facilities providing psychiatric care. The action plan shall formulate measures and actions, including their timeline, to implement the recommendations of the strategy. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and entry into force | The objective of the reform is to increase the resilience of the health system to shocks, as well as to increase the population’s access to quality and timely healthcare by providing the strategic underpinning of future investments and reforms and identifying relevant actions.  The reform shall include the adoption of a number of strategies and plans, namely:   * the National Health Strategy 2021-2030, which shall aim to address the existing structural challenges of the health sector, including the shortages of healthcare professionals across the territory, by setting out the strategic goals and priorities over a 10-year period; * the National Strategy for Mental Health of the Citizens of the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030, which shall provide recommendations to foster the integration of psychiatric services into community-based services and services received at home (deinstitutionalisation), as well as addressing the main problems faced by the psychiatric care system in the country, including outdated equipment and facilities as well as staff shortages; * the National Strategy for Child and Adolescent Health and Paediatric Care in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030, which shall provide targeted recommendations to strengthen health care services for children and adolescents, starting from pregnancy; * the National Strategy for Healthy Geriatric Care and Ageing in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030. The strategy shall promote a comprehensive set of recommendations targeting the health and well-being of older people, taking into account regional demographic trends and the availability of services, including access to health and social services.   The adoption of these strategies shall be complemented by the adoption of accompanying action plans for their implementation. The action plans shall build on the recommendations of the strategies to outline measures, including their timeline.  The reform also includes the adoption of:   * the National Map on the Long-Term Needs of the Healthcare Sector in Bulgaria, which shall provide recommendations on how to promote a balanced distribution of healthcare services in Bulgaria, based on an analysis covering health facilities in each region; * the National Plan for Combating Cancer in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2027, which shall outline measures aiming to reduce cancer incidence and mortality, targeting screening activities for early detection of cancer, as well as cancer treatment therapies; * the National Plan for the Restructuring of Hospital Care in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2027, which shall outline measures to restructure and optimise the organisation of the hospital sector and to improve access to healthcare hospital services. | - | None | - | - |
| 316 | C12.R1:Upgrading the strategic framework of the healthcare sector | Milestone | National Map of the Long-Term Needs of the Healthcare Sector | Adoption by the Council of Ministers |  |  |  | Q3 | 2022 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy of the adopted by National Map of the Long Term Needs of the Healthcare Sector and a link to the website where the strategy can be accessed 2. Copy of the decision by the Council of Ministers adopting the National Map 3. Appropriate links to or copies of the document(s) mentioned in the summary document | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: National Map of the Long-Term Needs of the Healthcare Sector  How: entry into force (evidenced by a and b), reporting (c)  Why: The National Map of the Long-Term Needs for Healthcare Sector shall include an analysis on the needs of the healthcare system across the territory of Bulgaria. The analysis shall cover: availability of hospital and outpatient care across the territory; the need for new health care facilities, including outpatient care facilities; shortages of medical professionals; renovation and equipment needs of the healthcare facilities, including outpatient care facilities; relevant information on Bulgarian municipalities including demographic characteristics of the population; health insurance coverage; as well as morbidity and mortality rates. Based on this analysis, the map shall also provide recommendations on how to promote a balanced distribution of health services in Bulgaria. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and entry into force | As above | - | None | - | - |
| 317 | C12.R1:Upgrading the strategic framework of the healthcare sector | Milestone | National Health Strategy 2021-2030 and action plan for the implementation of the strategy | Adoption of the strategy and the action plan by the Council of Ministers |  |  |  | Q3 | 2022 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy of the adopted National Health Strategy 2021-2030 and action plan for the implementation of the strategy and a link to the website where the strategy can be accessed 2. Copy of the decision by the Council of Ministers adopting the Strategy and action plan 3. Appropriate links to or copies of the document(s) mentioned in the summary document | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: National Health Strategy 2021-2030 and action plan for the implementation of the strategy  How: entry into force (evidenced by a and b), reporting (c)  Why: The National Health Strategy 2021-2030 shall set out the strategic goals and priorities over a ten-year period and provide recommendations to address the existing structural challenges of the health system. The recommendations shall address: regional imbalances of healthcare service provision; the allocation of services between hospital and outpatient care, concerning prevention, rehabilitation activities, as well as long-term care; the development of performance indicators to evaluate service provision and its management; the shortages and distribution of health professionals on the basis of the analysis in the National Map (milestone 316).The action plan shall formulate measures and actions, including their timeline, to implement the recommendations of the strategy. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and entry into force | As above | - | None | - | - |
| 318 | C12.R1:Upgrading the strategic framework of the healthcare sector | Milestone | National Strategy for Child and Adolescent Health and Paediatric Care in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030 and action plan for the implementation of the strategy | Adoption of the strategy and the action plan by the Council of Ministers |  |  |  | Q4 | 2022 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy of the adopted National Strategy for Child and Adolescent Health and Paediatric Care in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030 and of the action plan for the implementation of the strategy 2. Copy of the decision by the Council of Ministers adopting the Strategy and action plan 3. Appropriate links to or copies of the document(s) mentioned in the summary document | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: National Strategy for Child and Adolescent Health and Paediatric Care in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030 and action plan for the implementation of the strategy  How: entry into force (evidenced by a and b), reporting (c)  Why: The National Strategy for Child and Adolescent Health and Paediatric care in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030 shall set out the strategic goals and priorities over a ten-year period and provide recommendations covering: the accessibility of diagnosis and treatments targeting children and adolescents, including specialized paediatric medical equipment in health facilities; awareness raising and prevention initiatives, including for parents and in relation to pregnancy; regional patronage care and supply of counselling health services. The action plan shall formulate measures and actions, including their timeline, to implement the recommendations of the strategy. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and entry into force | As above | - | None | - | - |
| 319 | C12.R1:Upgrading the strategic framework of the healthcare sector | Milestone | National Plan for Combating Cancer in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2027 | Adoption by the Council of Ministers |  |  |  | Q4 | 2022 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy of the adopted National Plan for Combating Cancer in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2027 2. Copy of the decision by the Council of Ministers adopting the Plan 3. Appropriate links to or copies of the document(s) mentioned in the summary document | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: National Plan for Combating Cancer in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2027  How: entry into force (evidenced by a and b), reporting (c)  Why: The National Plan for Combating Cancer in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2027 shall outline measures to enhance: early detection of cancer through screening activities; the availability and accuracy of cancer diagnostics; access to and effectiveness of treatments; the well-being of cancer patients and cancer survivors. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and entry into force | As above | - | None | - | - |
| 320 | C12.R1:Upgrading the strategic framework of the healthcare sector | Milestone | National Strategy for Healthy Geriatric Care and Ageing in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030 and action plan for the implementation of the strategy | Adoption of the strategy and the action plan by the Council of Ministers |  |  |  | Q1 | 2023 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy of the adopted National Strategy for Healthy Geriatric Care and Ageing in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030 and of the action plan for the implementation of the strategy 2. Copy of the decision by the Council of Ministers adopting the Strategy and action plan 3. Appropriate links to or copies of the document(s) mentioned in the summary document | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: National Strategy for Healthy Geriatric Care and Ageing in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030 and action plan for the implementation of the strategy  How: entry into force (evidenced by a and b), reporting (c)  Why: The National Strategy for Healthy Geriatric Care and Ageing in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030 shall set out the strategic goals and priorities over a ten-year period and provide recommendations covering: access to health and social services for older people; social inclusion and integration of older people; activities promoting healthy ageing and independent living of older people, including targeted assistance and counselling offers. The action plan shall formulate measures and actions, including their timeline, to implement the recommendations of the strategy. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and entry into force | As above | - | None | - | - |
| 321 | C12.R2:Development of e-health and of the National Health Information System | Milestone | Entry into force of the amendments to the e-Health regulatory framework | Provision in the law indicating the entry into force of the amendments to the eHealth regulatory framework |  |  |  | Q4 | 2022 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy of the publication in the State Gazette of the legislative amendments to the e-Health regulatory framework (namely: for BG to list the relevant legislation that needs to be amended) 2. Reference to the relevant provisions indicating the entry into force and to the provisions which fulfil the relevant elements of the milestone, as listed in the description of milestone and the corresponding measure in the CID annex | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Entry into force of the amendments to the e-Health regulatory framework  How: entry into force (evidenced by a), reporting (b)  Why: The amendments to the e-Health regulatory framework shall develop further access to e-Health services by introducing the legal basis for: online prescriptions and dispensation of medicinal products; telemedicine, including telediagnostics and telemonitoring; the registration of medical information via electronic health records and their maintenance. The amendments shall also include the organisation of the work processes of the National Health Information System (NHIS). [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and entry into force | The objective of the reform is to foster the development of e-Health.  The reform includes the adoption of the National Strategy for e-Health and Digitalisation of the Health System 2021-2030, which shall provide recommendations on the digitalisation and integration of health services to increase the efficiency and coverage of eHealth in Bulgaria. An action plan outlining the measures to implement the recommendations of the strategy shall also be adopted.  The reform also includes an update of the legal framework in the country with regard to e-Health, concerning: telemedicine, including telediagnostics and telemonitoring; the terms and conditions for prescribing and dispensing medicinal products; the establishment and maintenance of the electronic health records of the citizens; as well as the working processes of the National Health Information System (NHIS).  In addition, the reform shall finalise the implementation of the NHIS, thus establishing a single digital environment for the collection and exchange of medical information. | - | None | - | - |
| 322 | C12.R2:Development of e-health and of the National Health Information System | Milestone | Upgrade of the National Health Information System (NHIS) | Publication of the upgraded and new modules on the website of the NHIS |  |  |  | Q2 | 2023 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Link to the website of the NHIS providing access to the upgraded system 2. Certificate of works completion issued in accordance with national legislation and signed by the contractor and the competent authority demonstrating that the upgrade has been completed and is aligned with the description of the milestone and of the reform in the CID annex 3. Report by an independent engineer endorsed by the relevant authority including justification that the upgrade fully aligns with the description of the milestone and of the description of the investment in the CID annex | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Upgrade of the National Health Information System (NHIS)  How: development (a), certification (b), reporting (c)  Why: The upgrade of the National Health Information System (NHIS) shall expand the functionalities of the system by integrating in the NHIS a number of administrative services and operational registers, as well as additional modules covering: electronic medical records of citizens; e-prescriptions and e-referrals modules; a system for the collection of data from hospitals. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and certification | As above | - | None | - | - |
| 323 | C12.R3:Improving the attractiveness of healthcare professions and promoting a more balanced distribution of healthcare professionals across the territory | Milestone | Entry into force of an ordinance to establish the National Fund to promote a more balanced distribution of healthcare professionals across the country | Provision in the ordinance indicating the entry into force of the ordinance establishing the National Fund |  |  |  | Q1 | 2023 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy of the publication in the State Gazette of the ordinance to establish the National Fund to promote a more balanced distribution of healthcare professionals across the country 2. Reference to the relevant provisions indicating the entry into force and to the provisions which fulfil the relevant elements of the milestone, as listed in the description of the milestone and the corresponding measure in the CID annex | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Entry into force of an ordinance to establish the National Fund to promote a more balanced distribution of healthcare professionals across the country  How: entry into force (evidenced by a), reporting (b)  Why: The ordinance shall formally establish the National Fund to promote a more balanced distribution of healthcare professionals across the country. The ordinance shall: specify that the fund shall provide an additional monthly income for nurses and medical professionals working in remote settlements; set the methodology to compute the additional monthly income for nurses and medical professionals working in remote areas, which shall be paid via national budget. The methodology shall be based on a number of factors, including average or median income of nurses and medical professionals in the country, workplace location of medical professionals and professional qualification of the medical professionals; specify the month and year by which the nurses and medical professionals working in remote areas shall start to be entitled to the additional compensation from the fund. This shall be no later than 01.04.2023 [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and entry into force | The objective of the reform is to address the shortages of healthcare professionals and their uneven distribution across the country.  The reform shall include the development, adoption and entry into force of a legislative package and other actions, which shall: allow medical professionals, in particular nurses and midwives, to set-up their own practice; provide for the reimbursement by the National Health Insurance System of the services provided by medical professionals, in particular nurses and midwives, in their practices; increase the number of university places for nursing specialisations; promote a more balanced distribution of healthcare workers, including via the provision of financial incentives funded via State Budget and European Structural Funds; and enhance the representation of healthcare professionals in the regular negotiation process with the National Health Insurance Fund. | - | None | - | - |
| 324 | C12.R3:Improving the attractiveness of healthcare professions and promoting a more balanced distribution of healthcare professionals across the territory | Milestone | Entry into force of amendments to laws and secondary legislation to address shortages and promote a more balanced distribution of healthcare professionals across the country | Provisions in the laws indicating the entry into force of the amendments to laws and secondary legislation |  |  |  | Q1 | 2023 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copies of the publications in the State Gazette of the amendments to laws and secondary legislation (namely: ask BG to specify) to address shortages and promote a more balanced distribution of healthcare professionals across the country 2. Reference to the relevant provisions indicating the entry into force and to the provisions which fulfil the relevant elements of the milestone, as listed in the description of milestone and the corresponding measure in the CID annex | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Entry into force of amendments to laws and secondary legislation to address shortages and promote a more balanced distribution of healthcare professionals across the country  How: entry into force (evidenced by a), reporting (b)  Why: The amendments to laws and regulations to address shortages shall promote a more balanced distribution of healthcare professionals across the country and shall: introduce a methodology for determining the number of health care professionals, especially nurses, required in the different healthcare facilities; abolish university fees for medical students by updating the list of protected professional qualifications under the Higher Education Act; improve the remuneration of healthcare professionals by introducing a standard of pay for healthcare professionals in healthcare institutions, linking their salaries to their level of qualification; offer State funded scholarships for the training of healthcare workers who commit to work in an area with limited access to healthcare; simplify the approval process for medical establishments to provide training for medical students; cover the costs of studies for students who have concluded contracts with an employer; introduce the possibility for nurses and other medical professionals to establish their own practice; amend the Health Insurance Act to include the professional organisation of nurses, midwives and associated health professionals in the regular negotiation process with the National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF);expand the package of outpatient care activities financed by the NHIF to ensure that the medical services provided by medical professionals via their own private practice shall be reimbursed by the NHIF. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and entry into force | As above | - | None | - | - |
| 325 | C12.R3:Improving the attractiveness of healthcare professions and promoting a more balanced distribution of healthcare professionals across the territory | Target | Number of places for nursing specialisations in universities |  | Number | 770 | 850 | Q2 | 2026 | | Ministry of health |  | 1. A list of universities offering studies in nursing specialisation and for each university, the number places offered by academic year, starting with the academic year 2021-2022 2. Supporting documentation issued by the universities certifying the increase in the number of places offered | Institution/s: Ministry of health  What: Number of places for nursing specialisations in universities  How: reporting (a, b)  Why: At least 850 places in nursing specialisations shall be offered by universities for the academic year 2025-2026 compared to 770 places offered for the academic year 2021-2022. The increase in the number of places offered by universities is expected to be implemented gradually over the period 1st January 2022-30 June 2026. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the number of new places for nursing specialisations in 2026, compared to 2021 | As above | - | Yes, sample-based | - | - |
| 326 | C12.R4:Strategic framework and plan to increase the availability of primary and outpatient care | Milestone | National Strategy for Improving the Accessibility and Capacity of Non-Hospital Primary Care and Ensuring a Balanced Territorial Distribution of Medical Care and Healthcare in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2027 and action plan for the implementation of the strategy | Adoption of the strategy and the action plan by the Council of Ministers |  |  |  | Q1 | 2023 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy of the adopted National Strategy for Improving the Accessibility and Capacity of Non-Hospital Primary Care and Ensuring a Balanced Territorial Distribution of Medical Care and Healthcare in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2027 and of the action plan for the implementation of the strategy 2. Copy of the decision by the Council of Ministers adopting the Strategy and action plan. 3. Appropriate links to or copies of the document(s) mentioned in the summary document | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: National Strategy for Improving the Accessibility and Capacity of Non-Hospital Primary Care and Ensuring a Balanced Territorial Distribution of Medical Care and Healthcare in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2027 and action plan for the implementation of the strategy  How: adoption (evidenced by a and b), reporting (c)  Why: The National Strategy for Improving the Accessibility and Capacity of Non-Hospital Primary Care and Ensuring a Balanced Territorial Distribution of Medical Care and Healthcare in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2027 shall provide recommendations covering: availability and access to primary outpatient care; medical services that can be provided in outpatient care; regional imbalances in the provision of primary outpatient healthcare. The action plan shall formulate measures and actions, including their timeline, to implement the recommendations of the strategy. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the date of development and adoption | The objective of the reform is to provide the basis for strengthening the provision of primary and outpatient care across the territory by adopting a national strategy and a related action plan.  The reform shall include the adoption of a National Strategy for Improving the Accessibility and Capacity of Non-Hospital Primary Care and Ensuring a Balanced Territorial Distribution of Medical Care and Healthcare in the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2027 and the action plan for its implementation. The strategy shall set out recommendations to ensure a balanced distribution of primary and outpatient care in Bulgaria, while the action plan shall outline the measures addressing the recommendations of the strategy. | - | None | Indicator 12 | - |
| 327 | C12.R5:Supporting the improved provision of preventive screening activities | Milestone | National Plan for the Development of Comprehensive Prenatal and Neonatal Screening and Screening of Socio-Significant Diseases 2021-2027 | Adoption by the Council of Ministers |  |  |  | Q1 | 2023 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy of the adopted National Plan for the Development of Comprehensive Prenatal and Neonatal Screening and Screening of Socio-Significant Diseases 2021-2027. 2. Copy of the decision by the Council of Ministers adopting the Plan. 3. Appropriate links to or copies of the document(s) mentioned in the summary document | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: National Plan for the Development of Comprehensive Prenatal and Neonatal Screening and Screening of Socio-Significant Diseases 2021-2027  How: adoption (evidenced by a and b), reporting (c)  Why: The National Plan for the Development of Comprehensive Prenatal and Neonatal Screening and Screening of Socio-Significant Diseases 2021-2027 shall define measures for: the establishment of a National Interdisciplinary Centre for Screening Programmes for socially significant diseases; the development of a network of outpatient units providing screening activities across the territory of Bulgaria. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and adoption | The objective of the reform is to support the effectiveness of healthcare provision by developing a plan to promote screening activities of health conditions and diseases throughout the territory of Bulgaria.  The reform shall include the development and adoption of a National Plan for the Development of Comprehensive Prenatal and Neonatal Screening and Screening of Socio-Significant Diseases 2021-2027, which shall underpin the establishment of screening centres across the territory, including of a National Interdisciplinary Centre, foreseen under investment 7 ‘Development of outpatient care’. | - | None | - | - |
| 328 | C12.R6:Plan for modern health education in schools | Milestone | National Plan for Health Education in the Bulgarian Schools 2021-2027 | Adoption by the Council of Ministers |  |  |  | Q4 | 2022 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy of the adopted National Plan for Health Education in the Bulgarian Schools 2021-2027. 2. Copy of the decision by the Council of Ministers adopting the Plan. 3. Appropriate links to or copies of the document(s) mentioned in the summary document | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: National Plan for Health Education in the Bulgarian Schools 2021-2027  How: adoption (evidenced by a and b), reporting (c)  Why: The National Plan for Health Education in the Bulgarian Schools 2021-2027 shall specify measures to foster health education in schools, covering topics such as reproductive health, nutrition and harmful consumption of alcohol and other psychoactive substances. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and adoption | The objective of the reform is to contribute to reducing preventable health diseases via the provision of healthcare education in schools.  The reform consists of the development and adoption of a Plan for Health Education in the Bulgarian School 2021-2027. The plan shall specify measures to promote a healthy lifestyle among students in the areas of reproductive health, nutrition and harmful consumption of alcohol and other psychoactive substances. | - | None | - | - |
| 329 | C12.I1:Modernisation of hospital facilities | Milestone | Signature of contracts for the provision of medical equipment to hospital facilities | Signed contracts |  |  |  | Q3 | 2024 | | Ministry of Health | Equipment include XX | 1. List of the hospital facilities who will receive medical equipment under the signed contracts and for each facility a unique identifier, specification if it provides paediatric and/or oncological care, a description of the medical equipment it will receive and whether construction works will be carried on (e.g., Centre for Proton Therapy Radiation), a reference to the signed contracts, a reference to the related call for tender published in the national public procurement platform 2. Methodology used to identify the equipment needs of the medical facilities, proving alignment with the description of the milestone and of the description of the investment in the CID annex | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Signature of contracts for the provision of medical equipment to hospital facilities  How: contracting (a, b)  Why: The selection of contractors shall follow public procurement procedures. The contracts shall cover the provision of medical equipment to hospital facilities providing paediatric and/or oncological care, including the National Centre for Proton Therapy Radiation. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of selection, award, and contracting | The investment complements reform 1 ‘Upgrading the strategical framework of the healthcare sector’. Its objective is to enhance the provision of paediatric and oncological care.  The investment shall include the provision of equipment to hospitals providing paediatric and oncological care, as well as the establishment of a National Centre for Proton Therapy Radiation, focusing on the treatment of children with cancer.  The existing facilities providing paediatric and/or oncological care receiving equipment and equipment needs of each facility shall be determined on the basis of the recommendations of the National Map on the Long-Term needs of the Healthcare Sector, as well as other relevant criteria, in particular issued permits for the performance of certain activities, such as radiotherapy, where relevant. | Delays in the launching of the public procurement procedures | None | - | - |
| 330 | C12.I1:Modernisation of hospital facilities | Target | Hospital facilities receiving new medical equipment |  | Number | 0 | 50 | Q4 | 2025 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. List of the hospital facilities in which the equipment specified in the contract(s) was delivered and installed and for each hospital the reference to the contract and the reference to the certificate of works completion. 2. Copies of the certificates of works completion issued in accordance with national legislation, demonstrating that the new functional equipment was delivered and installed | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Hospital facilities receiving new medical equipment  How: delivery (a), certification (b)  Why: Following the signature of contracts (milestone 329), the equipment specified in the contracts shall be delivered and installed in 50 healthcare hospital facilities providing paediatric care and/or oncological care. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: after signature of contract | As above | Delays in the signing of the contract | Yes, sample-based | - | - |
| 331 | C12.I1:Modernisation of hospital facilities | Milestone | Establishment of the National Centre for Proton Therapy Radiation | National Centre for Proton Therapy is finalised and the equipment is delivered and installed |  |  |  | Q2 | 2026 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Certificates of works completion issued in accordance with national legislation, demonstrating that the construction works have been completed and that the new functional equipment was delivered and installed | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Establishment of the National Centre for Proton Therapy Radiation  How: certificates of work completion (a)  Why: Following the signature of contracts (milestone 329), construction works shall be finalised and equipment shall be delivered and installed to establish the National Center for Proton Therapy radiation. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of establishment and entry into operation | As above | Delays in milestones 329 | None | Indicator 12 | - |
| 332 | C12.I2:Centres for interventional diagnosis and endovascular treatment of cerebrovascular diseases | Milestone | Signature of contracts for the construction works and for the provision of medical equipment to the medical centres for interventional diagnosis and endovascular treatment of cerebrovascular diseases | Signed contracts |  |  |  | Q1 | 2024 | | Ministry of Health | Equipment include XX | 1. List of the medical centres for interventional diagnosis and endovascular treatment of cerebrovascular diseases for which construction works will be conducted and that will receive medical equipment under the signed contracts and for each centre, a description of the works covered in the contract, reference to the relevant call for tender in the national public procurement platform, reference to the contract(s) signed 2. Copies of the signed contracts with the contractual counterparts and of the subsequent amendments to the contracts if any 3. Extract of the relevant documents mentioned in the summary document and explanatory note justifying that the relevant parts of the technical specifications of the construction works and of the delivery and installation of equipment (as further specified in milestone 332) are in line with the description of the milestone and of the description of the investment in the CID annex | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Signature of contracts for the construction works and for the provision of medical equipment to the medical centres for interventional diagnosis and endovascular treatment of cerebrovascular diseases  How: selection (a), contracting (b), reporting (c)  Why: The selection of contractors shall follow public procurement procedures. The contracts shall cover the construction works and the provision of medical equipment for the specialised medical centres for the interventional diagnosis and treatment of cerebrovascular diseases. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of selection, award, and contracting | The objective of the investment is to strengthen the provision of healthcare for cerebrovascular diseases.  The investment shall establish specialised centres in hospitals. The centres shall be equipped for the interventional diagnosis and treatment of cerebrovascular diseases. | Delays in the launching of the public procurement procedures | None | - | - |
| 333 | C12.I2:Centers for interventional diagnosis and endovascular treatment of cerebrovascular diseases | Target | Centres for interventional diagnosis and endovascular treatment of cerebrovascular diseases |  | Number | 0 | 10 | Q4 | 2025 | | Ministry of Heath |  | 1. List of the medical centres for interventional diagnosis and endovascular treatment of cerebrovascular diseases and for each centre, a, reference to the certificate of works completion (point b). 2. The certificates of work completion issued in accordance with the national legislation | Institution/s: Ministry of Heath  What: Centres for interventional diagnosis and endovascular treatment of cerebrovascular diseases  How: works and certificates for work completion (a, b)  Why: Following the signature of contracts (milestone 332), construction works shall be finalised in ten centres for interventional diagnosis and endovascular treatment of cerebrovascular diseases. In addition, equipment shall be delivered to and installed in these centres. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: after the completion of works and certification | As above | Delays in the signature of contracts (milestone 332) | Yes, sample-based | Indicator 12 | - |
| 334 | C12.I3:Modernisation of psychiatric care | Milestone | Signing contracts for renovation works of the facilities providing psychiatric care | Signed contracts |  |  |  | Q2 | 2023 | | Ministry of Health | Renovation work may encompass [please specify the type of renovation work in line with the strategy and action plan for Mental Health e.g. renovation of existing building, ecc..XX] | 1. List of the facilities providing psychiatric care for which renovation works will be conducted under the signed contracts and for each facility a description of the works covered in the contract, reference to the relevant call for tender in the national public procurement platform, reference to the contract(s) signed 2. Copy and link to the publication in the national public procurement platform 3. Copy of the signed contracts with the contractual counterparts and of the subsequent amendments to the contracts if any 4. Extract of the relevant documents mentioned in the summary document and explanatory note justifying that the relevant parts of the technical specifications of the renovation works are in line with the description of the milestone and of the description of the investment in the CID annex | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Signing contracts for renovation works of the facilities  How: selection (a), contracting (b, c), reporting (d)  Why: The selection of the contractors shall follow public procurement procedures. The contracts shall cover the renovation works for 38 medical facilities providing psychiatric care. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of selection, award, and contracting | The investment complements reform 1 ‘Upgrading the strategical framework of the healthcare sector’ and in particular of the ‘National Strategy for Mental Health of the Citizens of the Republic of Bulgaria 2021-2030’ and the related action plan. The objective of the investment is to improve the conditions for hospitalised patients, improving the outdated equipment and infrastructures of some facilities providing psychiatric care.  The measure consists of renovating and equipping facilities providing psychiatric care. The facilities which shall be renovated and receive equipment as well as the equipment needs of each one of those facilities shall be determined on the basis of an analysis of the needs of the facilities providing psychiatric care. | Delays in the launching of the public procurement procedures | None | - | - |
| 335 | C12.I3:Modernisation of psychiatric care | Target | Renovated and equipped psychiatric care facilities |  | Number | 0 | 45 | Q4 | 2025 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. List of the facilities providing psychiatric care, and for each of them a unique identifier, a brief description of the type of work (e.g. Renovation, delivery of equipment), reference to the certificate of work completion. (point b) 2. The certificates of work completion issued in accordance with the national legislation demonstrating that the renovation works were completed and that the new equipment was delivered and installed   Explanatory note justifying how the equipment needs of the facilities have been identified and that they are in line with the description of the milestone and of the description of the investment in the CID annex | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Renovated and equipped psychiatric care facilities  How: works and certificates for work completion (a, b)  Why: Following the signature of contracts (milestone 334), renovation works shall be finalized in 38 facilities providing psychiatric care. In addition, equipment and furniture shall be delivered to and installed in these facilities and in 7 additional facilities providing psychiatric care, for a total of 45 facilities. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: after the completion of works and certification | As above | Delays in the signature of contracts (milestone 334) and in the implementation of the works | Yes, sample-based | - | - |
| 336 | C12.I4:Establishment of an air ambulance system | Milestone | Signature of contracts for the supply of helicopters to the air ambulance system | Signed contracts |  |  |  | Q1 | 2023 | | Ministry of Health | Equipment include for the construction of the hangars include XX | 1. List of the signed contracts and for each contract a description of the elements to be delivered (helicopter and its class, equipment, training, construction works), a reference to the contract, a reference to the relevant call for tender published in the national public procurement platform 2. Copies of the signed contracts with the contractual counterparts and of the subsequent amendments to the contracts if any 3. Report by an independent engineer endorsed by the relevant authority including justification that the technical specifications of the purchase are fully aligned with the requirements in the description of the milestone and of the description of the investment in the CID annex | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Signature of contracts for the supply of helicopters to the air ambulance system  How: contracting (a, b), reporting (c)  Why: The selection of contractors shall follow public procurement procedures. The contracts shall cover the supply and delivery of helicopters, which shall: be classified as category A, class 1 or 2, to meet the requirements of Regulation 965/2012 (part-ORO, part-CAT or part-SPA); include medical equipment, as well as ground equipment and instrumentation and measuring apparatus; The contracts shall also cover the provision of trainings for pilots to deploy equipment. In addition, the contracts shall cover construction works for operational sites with hangars for the air ambulance system. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of selection, award, and contracting | The objective of the investment is to set up an air ambulance system. This includes the purchase of helicopters to provide emergency medical assistance, where immediate and rapid transportation is required, as well as the construction of operational sites with hangars for the helicopters.  This air ambulance system shall provide for the transportation of people affected by a situation of emergency, medical personnel as well as medical supplies. | Delays in the launching of the public procurement procedures | None | - | - |
| 337 | C12.I4:Establishment of an air ambulance system | Target | Delivery of the helicopters for the air ambulance system |  | Number | 0 | 5 | Q2 | 2026 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. List of the locations where the helicopters with the equipment specified in the contract(s) was delivered and installed and for each helicopter the reference to the contract and the reference to the certificate of works completion (point b). 2. Certificates of delivery completion issued in accordance with the national legislation. | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Delivery of the helicopters for the air ambulance system  How: delivery and certification (a, b)  Why: Following the signature of contracts (milestone 336), five helicopters with the necessary medical equipment shall be delivered. Successful delivery shall be confirmed by the signature of relevant supply protocols. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: after certification (specify also the delivery dates) | As above | Delays in the signature of contracts (milestone 336) | Yes, after delivery (expected by Q2 2026) | - | - |
| 338 | C12.I4:Establishment of an air ambulance system | Target | Operational sites for the air ambulance system |  | Number | 0 | 6 | Q2 | 2026 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. A list of the operational sites which were constructed and, for each of them, a list of the new equipment, which was delivered and installed, a reference to the certificates of work completion (point b) 2. The certificates of work completion issued in accordance with the national legislation demonstrating that the construction works were completed, and that the new equipment was delivered and installed | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Operational sites for the air ambulance system  How: works, delivery, and certification (a, b)  Why: Following the signature of contracts (milestone 336), construction works for the operational sites for the air ambulance system shall be finalised. In addition, equipment shall be delivered to and installed in these operational sites. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: after signature of contracts | As above | Delays in the signature of contracts (milestone 336) | Yes, after completion (expected by Q2 2026) | - | - |
| 339 | C12.I5:National Digital Platform for Medical Diagnostics | Milestone | Signature of contracts for the development of the National Digital Platform for Medical Diagnostics | Signed contracts |  |  |  | Q4 | 2023 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy and link to the publication of the call for tender in the national public procurement platform 2. Copy of the signed contracts issued in accordance with the national legislation and of the subsequent amendments to the contracts if any 3. Report by an independent engineer endorsed by the relevant authority including justification that the technical specifications in the contract(s) specifying the functionalities of the platform fully align with the description of the milestone and of the description of the investment in the CID annex | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Signature of contracts for the development of the National Digital Platform for Medical Diagnostics  How: contacting (a and b), reporting (c)  Why: The selection of contractors shall follow public procurement procedures. The contracts shall cover the development of the National Digital Platform for Medical Diagnostics. This platform shall allow: medical personnel to upload medical images; for the processing of the medical images by artificial intelligence and machine learning algorithm, which is expected to improve medical diagnosis. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of selection, award, and contracting | The objective of the investment is to enhance medical diagnostic.  The investment shall establish a digital platform for medical diagnostics, which shall foster digital diagnostics across medical specialties by enabling data processing through validated machine learning algorithms. The platform shall be made available to healthcare facilities, encompassing hospitals, clinics, laboratories and outpatient units, and which are operating in the fields of oncology, diagnostic radiology, dermatology and pathology and shall be integrated into the National Health Information System (NHIS), thus complementing reform 2 ‘Development of e-health and of the National Health Information System’. | Delays in the launching of the public procurement procedures | None | - | - |
| 340 | C12.I5:National Digital Platform for Medical Diagnostics | Target | Health facilities deploying the National Digital Platform for Medical Diagnostics |  | Number | 0 | 20 | Q2 | 2026 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. A list of the hospital facilities that have received access and uploaded images on the platform, and for each hospital facility:  * the specification whether the hospital provides oncology, diagnostic radiology, dermatology and pathology * the number of images uploaded to the medical platform  1. Certificates of works completion issued in accordance with national legislation, demonstrating that the platform has been established | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Health facilities deploying the National Digital Platform for Medical Diagnostics  How: deployment and certification (a and b)  Why: Access to the National Digital Platform for Medical Diagnostics, established following the signature of contracts (milestone 339), shall be granted to 20 healthcare facilities, encompassing hospitals, clinics, laboratories and outpatient units, and which are operating in the fields of oncology, diagnostic radiology, dermatology and pathology. To count towards the target, each healthcare facility shall have uploaded medical images to the platform. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: after certification (specify also the dates of deployment) | As above | Delays in the signature of contracts (milestone 339) | Yes, sample-based | Indicator 12 | - |
| 341 | C12.I6:Improving the 112 national emergency communication system | Milestone | Entry into force of the amendments to the legislative framework of the Single European Number 112 | Provision in the law indicating the entry into force of the amendment to the legislative framework of the Single European Number 112 |  |  |  | Q1 | 2024 | | Ministry of Interior |  | 1. Link to and copy of the publication in the State Gazette of the amendment to the legislative framework of the Single European Number 112 2. Reference to the relevant provisions indicating the entry into force and to the provisions which fulfil the relevant elements of the milestone, as listed in the description of milestone and the corresponding measure in the CID annex, with appropriate links to or copies of the document(s) mentioned in the summary document | Institution/s: Ministry of Interior  What: Entry into force of the amendments to the legislative framework of the Single European Number 112  How: entry into force (evidenced by a), reporting (b)  Why: The amendments shall determine the operational procedures and functions of the NextGen 112 platform, including: the coordination, integration and management of the processes of the Emergency Response Organisations through the platform; the integration into the platform of ad-hoc resources from other countries in case of emergencies. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of development and entry into force | The objective of the investment is to strengthen emergency response.  The investment consists of developing further the functionalities of the National System 112. This shall encompass the centralisation of emergency services in a single emergency system, the NextGen 112 platform, with the aim of enhancing the emergency response network of the Single European Number 112 across the territory of Bulgaria. The measure also includes revisions to the relevant regulation, which shall outline the operational procedures and functions of the NextGen 112 platform. | - | None | - | - |
| 342 | C12.I6:Improving the 112 national emergency communication system | Milestone | Upgrade of the 112 National Emergency Communication System | Launch of the upgraded system and work stations installed |  |  |  | Q3 | 2024 | | Ministry of Interior |  | 1. Certificate (Acceptance protocol, tests, etc.) Of works completion issued in accordance with the national legislation (moi internal regulations) signed by the contractor and contracting authority demonstrating that the upgrade has been completed and has been launched 2. Report by an Experts commission for control of the contract implementation and acceptance of the results, appointed by Order of contracting authority endorsed by the relevant authority including justification that the upgrade is aligned with the description of the target and of the investment in the CID annex 3. A list of the locations where the new workstations have been delivered and installed and for each location a unique identifier, the number of fixed workstations and the number of mobile work stations installed 4. Certificates (acceptance protocols) of works completion issued in accordance with national legislation (moi internal regulations) signed by the contractor and the contracting authority, demonstrating that the new workstations were delivered and installed | Institution/s: Ministry of Interior  What: Launch of the upgraded system and work stations installed  How: upgrade and certification (a, b, c, d)  Why: The upgraded 112 National Emergency Communication System shall be launched. As a result, the 112 National Emergency Communication System shall: allow for the transmission of voice, real-time text, video and data; integrate different types of response units, including the emergency medical teams, police, fire brigades, mountain and maritime rescue services; be integrated with video, radio and geolocalisation systems of the Ministry of Interior and with the National Health Information System. The upgrade shall include the delivery and installation of 1012 fixed and 830 mobile workstations. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of launch and certification | As above | - | None | - | - |
| 343 | C12.I7:Development of outpatient care | Milestone | Signature of contracts for the construction and renovation works for outpatient units and to the National Interdisciplinary Screening Centre | Signed contracts |  |  |  | Q4 | 2023 | | Ministry of Health | Equipment include XX | 1. A list of the signed contracts and for each contract a reference number, a description of the works covered, a reference to the relevant call for tender published in the national public procurement platform. 2. For the platform: report by an independent engineer endorsed by the relevant authority including justification that the technical specifications in the contract(s) for the construction/renovation works and for the platform development fully align with the description of the milestone and of the description of the investment in the CID annex. 3. For the outpatient units and the national screening center:  * explanatory note justifying that the technical specifications for the construction/renovation works are aligned with the description of the target and of the investment in the CID annex. * Methodology used to determine the locations of the outpatient units, proving that it is aligned with the description of the target and of the investment in the CID annex | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Signature of contracts for the construction and renovation works for outpatient units and to the National Interdisciplinary Screening Centre  How: contracting (a), reporting (b, c)  Why: The selection of contractors shall follow public procurement procedures. The contracts shall cover the construction and/or renovation works for outpatient units and for the National Interdisciplinary Screening Centre. In addition, the contracts shall cover the development of a digital platform for telemedicine, diagnostics and treatment of socio-significant diseases. The platform shall allow for the provision of telemedicine services, such as teleconsultations and telemonitoring, and shall include modules to host resources to support medical diagnostics and treatment. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: specify the dates of selection, award, and contracting | The investment complements Reform 3 ‘Improving the attractiveness of healthcare professions and promoting a more balanced distribution of healthcare professionals across the territory’, Reform 4 ‘Increasing the availability of preventive and outpatient care’, and Reform 5 ‘Improving the provision of preventive screening activities’. Its objective is to foster preventive and outpatient care.  It consists of building or renovating at least 300 outpatient medical units in underserviced areas in Bulgaria and establishing a National Interdisciplinary Centre. The outpatient units shall be equipped and at least one medical professional shall establish a practice in the units, so to provide healthcare services.  The locations of the units shall be chosen on the basis of the National Map on the Long-Term needs of the Healthcare Sector and other relevant criteria, including the need to cover most underserviced areas, with a focus on the areas with no access to healthcare within a reasonable reach, as identified using data from the Census and the Ministry of Health. | Delays in the launching of the public procurement procedures | None | - | - |
| 344 | C12.I7:Development of outpatient care | Target | Constructing/renovating, equipping and staffing outpatient units in remote settlements throughout the country |  | Number | 0 | 100 | Q4 | 2024 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. A reference number and the location, 2. A description of the medical equipment delivered and installed in the unit 3. Reference to the certificate of issued in accordance with national legislation, demonstrating that the construction works have been completed and that the new functional equipment was delivered and installed 4. A list of healthcare specialists, and for each healthcare specialists:  * a unique identifier, * the outpatient unit where they have been allocated * an official reference to a certificate issued in accordance with the national legislation demonstrating that the medical specialist has been allocated to the outpatient unit * information on whether they are general practitioner, nurse, midwife or other healthcare specialist and since when they work in the outpatient unit | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Constructing/renovating, equipping and staffing outpatient units in remote settlements throughout the country  How: construction (a, c), equipping (b), staffing d)  Why: Following the signature of contracts (milestone 343), construction or renovation works for 100 outpatient units in remote settlements throughout the country shall be finalised. In addition, the required medical equipment shall be delivered to and installed in these units. To count towards the target each outpatient unit shall be staffed by a general practitioner or a nurse or a midwife or another healthcare specialist. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: after constructing/renovating, equipping and staffing | As above | Delays in the signature of contracts (milestone 343) | Yes, sample-based | Indicator 12 | - |
| 345 | C12.I7:Development of outpatient care | Target | Constructing/renovating, equipping and staffing outpatient units in remote settlements throughout the country |  | Number | 100 | 300 | Q2 | 2026 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Reference number and the location, 2. A description of the medical equipment delivered and installed in the unit 3. Reference to the certificate of issued in accordance with national legislation, demonstrating that the construction works have been completed and that the new functional equipment was delivered and installed 4. A list of healthcare specialists, and for each healthcare specialists:  * a unique identifier, * the outpatient unit where they have been allocated * an official reference to a certificate issued in accordance with the national legislation demonstrating that the medical specialist has been allocated to the outpatient unit * specification of whether they are general practitioner, nurse, midwife or other healthcare specialist and since when they work in the outpatient unit | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Constructing/renovating, equipping and staffing outpatient units in remote settlements throughout the country  How: construction (a, c), equipping (b), staffing d)  Why: Following the signature of contracts (milestone 343), construction or renovation works for 200 outpatient units in remote settlements throughout the country shall be finalised. In addition, the required medical equipment shall be delivered to and installed in these units. To count towards the target, each outpatient unit shall be staffed by a general practitioner or a nurse or a midwife or another healthcare specialist. In addition, access to the digital platform for telemedicine, diagnostics and treatment of socio-significant diseases, including diabetes, as well as cardiovascular and brain vascular diseases shall be granted to at least 60% of the medical staff of the outpatient units. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: after constructing/renovating, equipping and staffing | As above | Delays in the signature of contracts (milestone 343) | Yes, sample-based | Indicator 12 | - |
| 346 | C12.I7:Development of outpatient care | Milestone | Establishment of the National Interdisciplinary Screening Centre | National Interdisciplinary Screening Centre is finalised and equipment is delivered and installed |  |  |  | Q2 | 2026 | | Ministry of Health |  | 1. Copy of the certificates of works completion issued in accordance with national legislation, demonstrating that the construction works have been completed and that the new functional equipment was delivered and installed | Institution/s: Ministry of Health  What: Establishment of the National Interdisciplinary Screening Centre  How: works, delivery, and certification (a)  Why: Following the signature of contracts (milestone 343), construction works shall be finalised. In addition, equipment shall be delivered and installed to establish a National Interdisciplinary Screening Centre. [provide references to the plan that acknowledge these objectives]  When: after signature of contracts | As above | Delays in the signature of contracts (milestone 343) and implementation | Yes, after completion (expected by Q2 2026) | Indicator 12 | - |