



For the Wellbeing and Dignity of Older people

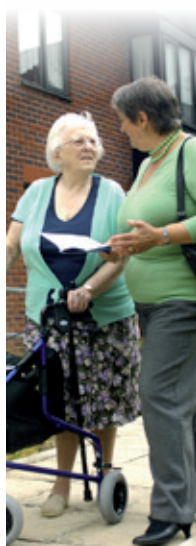
## **Join** our EU-wide partnership and benefit from a community committed to improving the wellbeing and dignity of older people in need of care and assistance

**We** can **DO** a lot starting by making small changes.

The WeDO partnership is aimed at any stakeholder who would like to improve the quality of life of older people in need of care and assistance, through the implementation of the EU quality framework for long-term care services.

The WeDO Partnership is an excellent opportunity to **share your experiences, get access to innovative ideas.**

**So get involved!**



## Why get involved?

### **Being a member of the WeDO partnership allow you to:**

- Join an EU-wide community of stakeholders committed to improving the quality of long-term care services
- Participate in an EU-wide online forum on long-term care
- Exchange information with other members of the partnership and share your experience.

## How to get involved?

### **You can ask to join the partnership by:**

- If you are based in one of the 12 countries involved in the WeDO project, contact your national coalition coordinator and take part in their work
- If your country was not involved in the WeDO project, contact AGE Platform Europe. We will provide you with information and support to help you join the partnership and set up a coalition of stakeholders in your country.
- Implementing the quality framework for long-term care services and send us information how you did it



## What was the WeDO project?

**A European project (2010-2012) co-financed by the European Commission and led by a steering group of 18 partners from 12 European Union (EU) Member States.**

- ➔ Objective: set up a lasting and open European partnership of European, national and regional/local stakeholders committed to improving the quality of services for older people in need of care and assistance and to fight elder abuse
- ➔ 12 national coalitions and a European coalition of very diverse stakeholders actively contributed to the project's outcomes
- ➔ Main outcomes: the European Quality Framework for long-term care services and the European partnership

**The WeDO project ended but the WeDO partnership will continue!**

# The European Quality Framework on long-term care services

**Is a list of 11 quality principles and 7 areas of action defining what a quality service is. It seeks to:**

- Ensure a common analysis and vision on long-term care and raise awareness of the need to fight elder abuse
- Increase the active participation of older people themselves in the definition of their needs and the services they require
- Help develop fair and sustainable solutions for quality long-term care by facilitating the exchange of good practices within a country and cross border
- Promote better coordination and exchange of information between stakeholders to improve the quality and efficiency of the services
- Improve the quality of the long-term care systems by including a good balance between efficiency, cost saving and quality improvement
- Through these actions, improve the quality of life of older people in need of care and assistance.



## The WeDO website is here to help you!

### In the WeDO website you will find:

- ➔ Contact details of the leaders of the WeDO national coalitions
- ➔ Examples of quality tools
- ➔ A comprehensive database of good practices
- ➔ An online methodology for a participatory approach with more tips and ideas
- ➔ A summary of the experiences of WeDO national coalitions
- ➔ A forum where you will be able to discuss with other members of the partnership

**And much more:**

**Go to [www.wedo-partnership.eu](http://www.wedo-partnership.eu) and register for free to be a member of the WeDO partnership!**



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