

# ANNEX

## Description of a National Coordination Hub

Name of the National Coordination Hub<sup>1</sup>:

### A) Definition

Choose the type of the institution:

#### 1. General criteria

1. Evidence of a clear and well-defined organization<sup>2</sup> (governance, management, definition of one representative as contact person).

2. Listing of the different ERNs the coordination hub should be linked to.

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<sup>1</sup>National Coordination Hub as described in the Board Statement of 10 October 2017:

**National Coordination Hub** comprises, as indicated in the Board Statement of 10 October 2017, “any type of institution with the appropriate knowledge and the legal and organizational capacity to link the national healthcare system to a number or all European Reference Networks. National Coordination Hubs function as interfaces between the national healthcare system and those Networks where a given Member State is neither represented by a full member nor by an Associated National Centre”. Differently from the Associated National Centre, the National Coordination Hub will establish **at once a link with more than one Network** in which the Member State does not have a healthcare provider as member or as Associated National Centre and with which the Member State wishes to establish such link.

<sup>2</sup> This may include, for example, an organization chart defining management and staff and/or clinical roles and responsibilities specific to the area of expertise and/or a set of policies and procedures addressing aspects of management and activities or services.

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3. Description of the capacity and the ways to link the different ERNs with the national healthcare system.