

## An interesting journey through European healthcare politics

Social re-integration of cancer survivors
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# Social re-integration of cancer survivors

- Transformation from person to patient
- Focus of treatment is to conquer cancer
- After treatment you become a survivor
- Picking up the pieces of your life
- Cancer causes changes
- Need of rehabilitation



#### Access to rehabilitation in Sweden

- Units closed down due to cost cuts
- Implementation of National Cancer Control Strategy ongoing
- Patients and caregivers involved
- Strong need for rehabilitation
- Searching for good examples



#### Norway

- 5 units vardesenter
- First unit started in 2010 in Oslo
- Cooperation with Kreftforeningen
- A place to regain forces
- Take a break from your cancer
- Exchange experiences, get advice and support



Center for
Kraeft ug Sundhed,
Köpenhamn,
Danmark





### Center for Kraeft ug Sundhed

- Over 900 referrals in 2013
- Breast cancer 350, colon cancer 153
- Individual rehabilitation plan
- Ages 18 -72
- Smorgasbord of activities
- Maximum rehabilitation time 2 years



# Other aspects of social re-integration

- Fertility issues
- Eligibility for adoption
- Acess to mortgage and insurance
- Returning to working life
- Better protection needed
- EU extend its equal treatment directive?



Thank you for your attention!