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List of Abbreviations

EU	European Union
EU4Health	European Union programme for the Union's health policy
SOP(s)	Standard Operating Procedures (i.e. Screening and Referral Protocols)

Executive Summary

This document provides information on the availability of the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) developed for each mobile unit participating in the MOBHOPE project. These procedures support the consistent implementation of mobile outreach activities and related healthcare services.

The SOPs are available in the national languages of the corresponding mobile units (Spanish, Portuguese and Croatian) as well as in English through the project website.

1. Introduction

The MOBHOPE project aims to improve access to prevention, testing, and care for viral hepatitis, human immunodeficiency virus, and other sexually transmitted infections among vulnerable populations. Standardised procedures support the consistent and effective implementation of activities across the project's mobile units.

2. Availability of Standard Operating Procedures

The SOPs for each MOBHOPE mobile unit are available on the project website at:

Project website: https://mobhope.eu/en/resources/?resourceAudience=project

The documents provide reference procedures for the respective mobile units and support the implementation of project activities in accordance with the project's objectives and operational requirements.

3. Structure and Contents

The SOPs follow a structured approach covering the main operational aspects of mobile outreach services. They are organised into sequential phases that guide teams through the entire service-delivery process, from preparation and participant recruitment to screening, referral, follow-up, and visit closure.

Their contents generally include:

- **Purpose and scope:** Objectives, application, and relevant regulatory and project references.
- **Roles and responsibilities:** Tasks assigned to team members and supporting healthcare professionals.
- **Operational phases:** Step-by-step guidance for planning and conducting outreach activities, providing services, facilitating referral and linkage to care, and documenting activities.
- **Ethics and data protection:** Informed consent, confidentiality, and appropriate management of participant information.
- **Quality and safety:** Equipment and supply checks, incident management, monitoring, and documentation.
- **Supporting tools and annexes:** Practical checklists, recording templates, and other implementation resources.

Although the specific procedures may vary according to local requirements, their structured approach supports consistency across the participating mobile units.

4. Usefulness

The SOPs provide teams with practical guidance for daily operations, clarify responsibilities, promote consistent working practices, and support service quality, safety, and coordination.

Furthermore, the SOPs developed and implemented across the MOBHOPE mobile units will contribute to the development of a **common European-level standard model for**

mobile outreach services. By identifying shared procedures, common operational principles, and adaptable practices across different national contexts, they can support the harmonisation of service delivery and inform the future replication of effective mobile outreach approaches in other European settings.

Having these procedures accessible in one place facilitates their consultation during daily operations and supports the consistent implementation of activities across participating countries.

5. Final Remarks

The availability of the mobile-unit SOPs through the project website facilitates access to operational guidance and supports the consistent implementation of MOBHOPE activities. Their shared structure and practical application also provide a foundation for developing a transferable European-level model for mobile outreach, prevention, screening, and linkage to care.