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## APPROACH OF THE GREEN PAPER

Before recommending to the European Commission or to individual member States that certain legislation, regulations or codes of practice governing medicine and healthcare should be revised, amended or introduced, EHTEL T6 is proposing to consult all those parties concerned through the publication of this Green Paper in order to establish the impact of existing laws and professional controls on both the users and providers of health telematics technologies.

It is essential to establish what theoretical and practical effects legal issues have on the use of health telematics and to understand what, if anything, can or should be done to improve matters so that health telematics applications are available to every citizen-patient that can benefit from them, as well as to stimulate the expansion of the European health telematics industry.

This Green Paper thus has four aims:

- (1) to identify what the actual legal issues affecting the evolution and use of health telematics in Europe are;
- (2) to assess how and to what extent each of these issues presents (or will present in the future) a real barrier or impediment to health telematics;
- (3) to suggest workable ways of reducing or removing these barriers and identify the various institutions and bodies that must co-operate in this process; and
- (4) to promote reflection and debate and to invite all those with an interest in health telematics to submit their written comments and observations on the questions raised in this Green Paper.



### [Report of Workshop "Telemedicine and eHealth" held 14 August 2002](#)



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The workshop "Telemedicine and eHealth" was held by the "Law and Ethics" Working Group of EHTEL on 14 August 2002 in the context of the 14th World Congress on Medical Law, in Maastricht, The Netherlands.

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