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CANCER WORKFORCE IS STRESSED, DISSATISFIED: Health professionals working in oncology are increasingly experiencing mental health issues, such as stress and burnout, and reporting overwhelming workloads and dissatisfaction at work, according to a new <u>report</u>.

'Endless' workload: Based on a pan-European survey of more than 700 cancer professionals from 30 countries, the results will be presented today at the <u>European</u> <u>Cancer Summit</u>, hosted by the European Cancer Organisation (ECO). It found that 55 percent of cancer professionals report that administrative procedures make their job too difficult; 52 percent reported that their workload seems "endless"; and 51 percent say their supervisors do not care about their well-being.

Need for better support: "An Oncology workforce struggling to carry out their work effectively is a clear and major risk for European health systems, in both the short and long term," Wim Ceelen, co-chair of ECO's Workforce Network, said in a release. ECO is urging the EU and governments to take urgent action to ensure a "well-supported, adequately staffed oncology workforce."

Right to be forgotten: Making what is likely to be her final intervention as health commissioner, Kyriakides will also be at the event. In a speech, she will urge countries to continue the work next mandate on the right to be forgotten.

"Discrimination in access to financial services for those with lived cancer experience is totally unacceptable. I would like to see that these discussions continue being taken forward during the next mandate as well."