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1. 7th European Public Health Conference, Glasgow

The 7th European Public Health Conference will be held in Glasgow, Scotland from 19 to 22 November 2014. The theme for the conference is *Mind the gap: reducing inequalities in health and health care.*

The abstract submission (for single abstracts and workshops) is now open and will close on 1 May 2014 (23:59 CET).

Plenary programme:

We are pleased to confirm the following keynote speakers:

- Alastair Leyland, University of Glasgow, Scotland and chair of the Glasgow 2014 conference
- Johan Mackenbach, Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands
- Margaret McCartney, General Practitioner, Glasgow, Scotland
- Ghaffar Abdul, The Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research, WHO
- Zsuzsana Jakab, Regional Director of WHO Europe
- Marc Sprenger, Director European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control
- Simon Capewell, University of Liverpool, United Kingdom and president of the UK Society for Social Medicine
- Raj Bhopal, University of Edinburgh, Scotland
- Marine Buissonnière, Director OSF Health Programs, New York, US
- Carlo Signorelli, University of Parma, Italy and chair of the Milan 2015 conference

Please check the conference website at www.eupha.org/glasgow2014 regularly for updated information.

2. EUPHA update

EUPHA Press Release: EU Tobacco Products Directive, accepted but more to be done! EUPHA published a press release both applauding the acceptance of the new EU Tobacco Products Directive, as well as emphasizing that more still needs to be done: http://www.eupha.org/repository/publications/EUPHA_press_release_on_Tobacco_Directive_Feb_2014.p df

EUPHA Section

EUPHA section Public Health Monitoring wrote a Letter to the EJPH Editor on "The realisation of a European health information system—time to get the politicians involved" just published in the EJPH: http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content/early/2014/02/24/eurpub.cku012.full

EUPHA Collaboration

• EUPHA is honoured to be an endorser of the next **European Diabetes Leadership Forum** which will take place on 4 March 2014 in the Concert Noble, Brussels. Building on the success of the 2012 European Diabetes Leadership Forum, the Danish Diabetes Association will be hosting the 2014 event with the support of Novo Nordisk. For more information: http://diabetesleadershipforum.eu/

• International Conference on Urban Health – March 2014

EUPHA through its section on Urban public health is a partner in the International Conference on Urban Health 2014, 4-7 March 2014, Manchester Central Convention Centre, UK.

For all the information you need about the conference, visit https://www.icuh2014.com/

- European Conference on Migrant and Ethnic Minority Health April 2014 The EUPHA Section of Migrant and Ethnic Minority Health is organizing the next European Conference on Migrant and Ethnic Minority Health in Granada 10-12 April 2014. The website link is: http://www.eupha-migranthealthconference.com/
- LEPH2014: The 2nd International Conference on law Enforcement and Public Health EUPHA is supporting the 2nd International Conference on Law Enforcement and Public Health (LEPH2014). The conference will be held at the Free University, Amsterdam, 5 8 October 2014. The conference is organised by the Centre for Law Enforcement and Public Health (CLEPH), Melbourne, Australia in collaboration with the Free University, Police, and Public Health Services, Amsterdam, Netherlands. The call for abstracts is open until 7 March 2014. More information: www.leph2014.com

3. Call for proposals, job opportunities

Job vacancy at the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

Job vacancy at the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control The European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) invites applications for the position of: Chief Scientist and Head of the Office of the Chief Scientist For more information, please visit the ECDC website: http://ecdc.europa.eu/en/aboutus/jobs/Pages/JobOpportunities.aspx

4. Interesting News

APHA rejoices CVS Caremark decision to end tobacco sales

Statement by APHA Executive Director Georges Benjamin, MD, on CVS Caremark's announcement that it will end its tobacco sales

Washington, D.C., Feb. 5, 2014 -- "On behalf of the American Public Health Association, I want to commend CVS Caremark on its historic decision to eliminate all tobacco products from its stores. APHA has long dedicated itself to fighting against preventable, serious health threats such as tobacco addiction. We look forward to other companies that are fundamentally in the health business to follow suit.

"This is a breakthrough moment for public health in our global quest to end the tobacco epidemic. It shows that the private sector can make smart business decisions that create a healthier society, and also break the codependence it has with the tobacco industry to increase revenues at the cost of its customers' health and well-being.

"Tobacco is the leading cause of preventable death in the U.S., claiming more than 400,000 lives each year. This commitment from one of our nation's most important businesses is the next logical step in bringing us closer to becoming the world's healthiest nation.

Health for Growth Programme (2014-2020) - State of play

The 3rd Health Programme will be discussed in the European Parliament plenary session in Strasbourg on 25 February 2014.

The Annual Work Programme 2014 will be submitted for informal consultation to the Programme Committee of the previous HP 2008-2013 (meeting is foreseen on 3 March) Publication of Annual Work Programme and Programme Regulation are expected in April/early May. The subsequent calls will follow immediately after.

More information: Health Programme 2014-2020 - Presentation (972 KB)

Public Health England (PHE) release local authority adult obesity data - Press release

New local authority excess weight data published today by Public Health England (PHE) confirms that 64% of adults are overweight or obese. For more information: Press release: PHE release local authority adult obesity data

1st European Conference on Donor Health and Management

Sanquin Blood Supply will organize the first European Conference on Donor Health and Management (ECDHM). The conference is a result of the successful DOMAINE project. It will take place in the city of The Hague, the Netherlands, on 3-5 September 2014. The ECDHM focuses on: Donor Base Management; Donor Recruitment; Donor Retention; Donor Collection and Donor Health.

Are you interested? Please visit our website: www.ecdhm.org. For questions: conference@sanquin.nl

5. EUPHA members update

National Institute for Health and Welfare, Finland – http://www.thl.fi/en_US/web/en Prof Pekka Puska has recently retired. The new Director General is Professor Juhani Eskola.

6. Upcoming courses and conferences

GOING@INTERNATIONAL

Going International promotes training and further education for experts and newcomers in public health and humanitarian assistance around the globe. The flagship of Going International is the online education database »medicine & health«. It contains international courses, master programmes and conferences in the field of medicine and international health. Due to the large number and variety of training events the education database enables health professionals to find their educational event at their fingertips. For further information: www.goinginternational.eu/en/online-datenbank/ Going International is an official partner of EUPHA.

Title: Dates: Place: More info:	The future of social health insurance in Europe: redefining solidarity and responsibility 21 March 2014 Brussels, Belgium www.ose.be/hcconference2014/
Title: Dates: Place: Organiser: More info:	Medizinische Statistik für Nicht-StatistikerInnen 1 – 2 April 2014 Krems, Austria Danube University Krems http://www.donau-uni.ac.at/de/studium/medizinische_statistik/index.php
Title: Dates: Place: More info:	2nd European Health Literacy Conference: Health literacy in populations and settings – developing the research base 10 – 11 April 2014 Aarhus, Denmark www.healthliteracyeurope.net
Title: Dates: Place: Organiser: More info:	Writing a Journal Article and Getting it Published 28 – 30 April 2014 Bern, Switzerland SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health http://www.ispm-unibasel.ch/ssphplus/spip.php?page=phd_courses⟨=en
Title: Dates: Place: Organiser: More info:	European Patients' Rights Day 2014: The role of citizens' organisations in the empowerment of patients with chronic diseases 12 – 13 May 2014 Brussels, Belgium Active Citizenship Network www.activecitizenship.net

Title:	Medizinische Statistik für Nicht-StatistikerInnen
Dates:	14 – 15 May 2014
Place:	Krems, Austria
Organiser:	Danube University Krems
More info:	http://www.donau-uni.ac.at/de/studium/medizinische_statistik/index.php
Title:	Multilevel Modeling: Analysis of Clustered Data
Dates:	14 – 16 May 2014
Place:	Basel, Switzerland
Organiser:	SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health

More info: http://www.ispm-unibasel.ch/ssphplus/spip.php?page=phd_courses&lang=en

Title:

Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analysis: a Practical Approach

19 – 21 May 2014 Dates: Bern, Switzerland Place: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health Organiser: More info: http://www.ispmunibasel.ch/ssphplus/spip.php?page=phd courses&lang=en

Title:

Organiser:

More info:

Dates:

Place:

Infectious diseases in Europe: HIV and Hepatitis 2 – 4 June 2014 Porto, Portugal **ISPUP** www.ispup.up.pt

Title:

World Research and Innovation Congress – Pioneers in Healthcare Dates: 4 – 5 June 2014 Brussels. Belaium More info: www.worldresearchcongress.com

Title: Dates:

Place:

Organiser: More info:

Place:

Health systems methods and current research 4 – 6 June 2014 Porto, Portugal ISPUP www.ispup.up.pt

Title:

Meta-Analysen für Nicht-StatistikerInnen Dates: 6 June 2014 Place: Krems, Austria **Danube University Krems** Organiser: More info: http://www.donau-uni.ac.at/de/studium/meta-analysen-fuer-nichtstatistiker/index.php

Title: 3-Day Certificate Course "Modeling Approaches for HTA: a Practical Hands-On Workshop" Dates: 5 – 7 June 2014 Place: Antwerp, Belgium Organiser: UMIT

More info: www.umit.at/htads/

Title:

Observational Epidemiological Studies: Advanced Methods for Data Analysis 23 – 27 June 2014 Dates: Basel, Switzerland Place: Organiser: SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health

More info:	http://www.ispm-unibasel.ch/ssphplus/spip.php?page=phd_courses⟨=en
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Title:	Outbreak investigations and management course
Dates:	23 – 27 June 2014
Place:	Singapore, Singapore
Organiser:	IIDE
More info:	http://www.lkcmedicine.ntu.edu.sg/Programmes/Pages/Short-Courses.aspx

Title: Dates: Place: Organiser: More info:	Mobilising Local Health Promotion Systems for Equity - Taking up the challenge of the social determinants of health 20 July – 1 August 2014 Rennes, France EHESP www.etc-summerschool.eu/
Title:	WIS 2014 – safe and secure cities
Dates:	18 – 20 August 2014
Place:	Turku, Finland
Organiser:	University of Turku and the Baltic Region Healthy Cities Association
More info:	www.wis.fi
Title:	ERASMUS Summer Programme 2014
Dates:	11 – 29 August 2014
Place:	Rotterdam, The Netherlands
Organiser:	Erasmus university
More info:	www.nihes.nl
Title:	1st European Conference on Donor Health and Management
Dates:	3 – 5 September 2014
Place:	The Hague, The Netherlands
Organiser:	Sanquin Blood Supply
More info:	http://www.ecdhm.org/
Title: Dates: Place: Organiser: More info:	Qualitative Research in Health: An Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods 10 – 12 September 2014 Basel, Switzerland SSPH+ PhD Program in Public Health http://www.ispm-unibasel.ch/ssphplus/spip.php?page=phd_courses⟨=en
Title: Dates: Place: Organiser: More info:	Permanente Verfügbarkeit in der Arbeits- und Lebenswelt – Risiken und Chancen 24 – 26 September 2014 Erlangen, Germany DGMSP and partners http://www.dgsmp2014.de/index.php/abstracteinreichung
Title: Dates: Place: More info:	The Second International Conference on Law Enforcement and Public Health 5 – 8 October 2014 Amsterdam, The Netherlands www.leph2014.com
Title:	14th World Congress on Public Health - WCPH 2015
Dates:	11 – 15 February 2015
Place:	Kolkata, India
Organiser:	WFPHA
More info:	www.14wcph.org

7. European Journal of Public Health

The *European Journal of Public Health* is a multidisciplinary journal in the field of public health, publishing contributions from social medicine, epidemiology, health services research, management, ethics and law, health economics, social sciences and environmental health. The EJPH is published bimonthly. The journal provides a forum for discussion and debate of current international public health issues with a focus on the European region. A subscription is needed, however, there are open access and editor's choices which are freely available.

Open access

Association of physical activity with future mental health in older, mid-life and younger women

A Griffiths et al. Eur J Public Health published 14 February 2014, 10.1093/eurpub/ckt199 [Abstract] [Full Text] [PDF] [(c)] EY OPEN ACCESS

Advance access

Reproducibility of diabetes quality of care indicators as reported by patients and physicians

T-H Collet, P Taffé, J Bordet, B Burnand, and I Peytremann-Bridevaux Eur J Public Health published 17 February 2014, 10.1093/eurpub/cku011 [Abstract]

Articles

Energy drink consumption and the relation to socio-demographic factors and health behaviour among young adults in Denmark. A population-based study K Friis, JI Lyng, M Lasgaard and FB Larsen

Eur J Public Health published 14 February 2014, 10.1093/eurpub/cku003 [Abstract]

An examination of Roma health insurance status in Central and Eastern Europe C Kühlbrandt, K Footman, B Rechel, and M McKee Eur J Public Health published 5 February 2014, 10.1093/eurpub/cku004 [Abstract]

Antibiotics and their effects: what do patients know and what is their source of information?

K Hoffmann, R Ristl, L Heschl, D Stelzer, and M Maier Eur J Public Health published 19 August 2013, 10.1093/eurpub/ckt112 [Abstract]

Short Report

Dispersion of Aedes albopictus in the Spanish Mediterranean Area J Lucientes-Curdi et al. Eur J Public Health published 6 February 2014, 10.1093/eurpub/cku002 [Abstract]

8. Interesting publications

Objectively assessed recess physical activity in girls and boys from high and low socioeconomic backgrounds

Baquet G, Ridgers ND, Blaes A, Aucouturier J, Van Praagh E, Berthoin S BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :192 (21 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

A randomized controlled trial to investigate the impact of a low glycemic Index (GI) diet on body mass index in obese adolescents Kong AP et al. BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :180 (19 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

Emotional and instrumental feeding practices of Dutch mothers regarding foods eaten between main meals

Raaijmakers LG, Gevers DW, Teuscher D, Kremers SP, van Assema P BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :171 (17 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

Physical health-related quality of life predicts disability pension due to musculoskeletal disorders: seven years follow-up of the Hordaland Health Study Cohort Haukenes I, Farbu EH, Riise T, Tell GS BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :167 (14 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

Evaluating the effects of the Lunchtime Enjoyment Activity and Play (LEAP) school playground intervention on children's quality of life, enjoyment and participation in physical activity

Hyndman BP, Benson AC, Ullah S, Telford A BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :164 (14 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

Do early onset and pack-years of smoking increase risk of type II diabetes? Kim S, Jee S, Nam J, Cho W, Kim J, Park E BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :178 (19 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

Perceived pros and cons of smoking and quitting in hard-core smokers: a focus group study Bommelé J, Schoenmakers TM, Kleinjan M, van Straaten B, Wits E, Snelleman M, van de

Mheen D BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :175 (18 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

Explaining socio-economic differences in intention to smoke among primary school children

Cremers H, Oenema A, Mercken L, Candel M, Vries Hd BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :191 (21 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

Elevated depressive symptoms and adolescent injury: examining associations by injury frequency, injury type, and gender

Asbridge M, Azagba S, Langille DB, Rasic D BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :190 (21 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

Biological health or lived health: which predicts self-reported general health better? Bostan C, Oberhauser C, Stucki G, Bickenbach J, Cieza A BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :189 (21 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

Per capita sugar consumption and prevalence of diabetes mellitus - global and regional associations

Weeratunga P, Jayasinghe S, Perera Y, Jayasena G, Jayasinghe S BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :186 (20 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

Socioeconomic position across the lifecourse & allostatic load: data from the West of Scotland Twenty-07 cohort study Robertson T, Popham F, Benzeval M BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :184 (20 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

The use of a modified Delphi approach to engage stakeholders in zoonotic disease research priority setting

Sawford K, Dhand NK, Toribio JL, Taylor MR BMC Public Health 2014, 14 :182 (20 February 2014) Abstract | Provisional PDF

Prevalence and Trends of Adult Obesity in the US, 1999-2012

College of Applied Health Sciences, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Academic Editors: S. A. Lear and C. H. Wu Copyright © 2014 Ruopeng An. http://www.hindawi.com/journals/isrn.obesity/2014/185132/

9. European Commission news

Blood, tissues and organs Patient Safety: New EU Rapid Alert platform for human Blood and Blood Components

Health programme

Health for Growth Programme (2014-2020) Update on the state of play

Indicators

Indicators on Population below poverty line (ECHI 9a) and Income inequality (ECHI 9b) updated with 2012 data and EU28 aggregate

Health-EU newsletter

The Falsified Medicines Directive: improving the safety of EU medicines_Editorial by Paola Testori Coggi, Director General for Health and Consumers, European Commission

Major and chronic diseases

Chronic Diseases Summit (3-4 April 2014) Agenda updated World Cancer Day: 10 Facts on EU Action to Fight Cancer Commissioner Tonio Borg delivers a speech at the launch of the European Cancer Patients' Bill of Rights

Medicinal products for human use

Public consultation - Revision of European Commission Guidelines on Good Manufacturing Practice for Medicinal Products Deadline for comments: 31 May 2014

Nutrition and physical activity

European Platform for Action on Diet, Physical Activity and Health (06 February 2014) Agenda, contributions

European Platform for Action on Diet, Physical Activity and Health (06 February 2014) Flash report

Patient safety

Public consultation on patient safety and quality of care (open until 28 February 2014) Reminder

Rare diseases

First meeting of the Expert Group on Rare Diseases: 11-12 February 2014

Social determinants and health inequalities

Conference 'Health in Europe, making it fairer' (Brussels, 18 March 2014) Agenda updated and poster to download

10. European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 4, 30 January 2014

In this issue: Imported Zika virus cases from French Polynesia to Japan and from Thailand to Germany highlight that differential diagnosis of travellers with dengue symptoms should include ZIKV infection.

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RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Influenza season 2013/14 has started in Europe with influenza A(H1)pdm09 virus being the most prevalent subtype

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20686 Two cases of Zika fever imported from French Polynesia to Japan, December to January 2013 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20683 First case of laboratory-confirmed Zika virus infection imported into Europe, November 2013

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20685

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Internet-based syndromic monitoring of acute respiratory illness in the general population of Germany, weeks 35/2011 to 34/2012

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20684 Laboratory preparedness in EU/EEA countries for detection of novel avian influenza A(H7N9) virus, May 2013

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20682

Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 5, 06 February 2014

In this issue: Mid-season estimates of 2013/14 vaccine effectiveness against influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 from Canada

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EDITORIALS

Protecting the very young against pertussis - cough, costs and cocooning http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20689

RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Interim estimates of 2013/14 vaccine effectiveness against influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 from Canada's sentinel surveillance network, January 2014 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20690

RESEARCH ARTICLES

Prevalence of antibodies against influenza A and B viruses in children in Germany, 2008 to 2010

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20687 A cocoon immunisation strategy against pertussis for infants: does it make sense for Ontario? http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20688

MISCELLANEOUS

In the national epidemiological bulletins - a selection from current issues http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20691 ECDC's latest publications http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20692 Erratum for Euro Surveill. 1999;4(10) http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20693 Erratum for Euro Surveill. 2014;19(4) http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20694 Job vacancy at the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20695

Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 6, 13 February 2014

In this issue: Following last week's data from Canada, estimates of influenza vaccine effectiveness in Europe for the 2012/13 season, as well as mid-season estimates for 2013/14 in Navarre, Spain

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RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Possible pandemic threat from new reassortment of influenza A(H7N9)virus in China http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20699

Vaccine effectiveness in preventing laboratory-confirmed influenza in Navarre, Spain: 2013/14 mid-season analysis

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20700

RESEARCH ARTICLES

Influenza vaccine effectiveness estimates in Europe in a season with three influenza type/subtypes circulating: the I-MOVE multicentre case–control study, influenza season 2012/13

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20701

REVIEW ARTICLES

Climatic suitability of Aedes albopictus in Europe referring to climate change projections: comparison of mechanistic and correlative niche modelling approaches http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20696

MISCELLANEOUS

Addendum for Euro Surveill. 2014;19(4) http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20697 Authors' correction for Euro Surveill. 2014;19(5) http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20698

Eurosurveillance, Volume 19, Issue 7, 20 February 2014

In this issue: A series of articles highlighting challenges and steps towards the polio eradication goal

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The polio eradication end game: what it means for Europe http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20702

MISCELLANEOUS

Note from the editors: Polio – good news and bad news http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20704

RESEARCH ARTICLES

Development and validation of a real time quantitative reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction (qRT-PCR) assay for investigation of wild poliovirus type 1-South Asian (SOAS)strain reintroduced into Israel, 2013 to 2014

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20710

Molecular epidemiology of silent introduction and sustained transmission of wild poliovirus type 1, Israel, 2013

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20709

Immunity against poliomyelitis in the Netherlands, assessed in 2006 to 2007: the importance of completing a vaccination series

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20705

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Intensified environmental surveillance supporting the response to wild poliovirus type 1 silent circulation in Israel, 2013

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20708 The 2010 outbreak of poliomyelitis in Tajikistan: epidemiology and lessons learnt http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20706

PERSPECTIVES

Silent reintroduction of wild-type poliovirus to Israel, 2013 – risk communication challenges in an argumentative atmosphere

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20703

NEWS

Job vacancies at the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=20707

Full table of contents: http://www.eurosurveillance.org/

11. WHO publications

NEWS

Greece launches new primary health care law

Greece has launched a primary health care law, based on the core values of the Declaration of Alma-Ata, to ensure better health of the Greek people.

Prevention is key to curb cancer burden, says new report

The "World cancer report 2014", released in the run-up to World Cancer Day, 4 February, confirms the truth of an old saying: prevention is better than cure. Based on the latest statistics on trends in cancer incidence and mortality worldwide, this new report reveals how the cancer burden is growing at an alarming pace, and emphasizes the importance of political commitment and urgent implementation of efficient prevention strategies to curb the disease.

Developing countries' capacity to implement Health 2020

10-01-2014

Public health policy experts from across the WHO European Region, including several former health ministers, assembled on 8–9 January 2014 at WHO/Europe in Copenhagen, Denmark for the first training of consultants on Health 2020, the European policy for health and well-being.

RESOURCES AND REPORTS

Review of social determinants and the health divide in the WHO European Region

This review, commissioned by WHO/Europe, chaired by Professor Sir Michael Marmot and prepared by University College London's Institute of Health Equity, focuses on Roma health in Chapter 5. According to the review, the poor health status of Roma in general is strongly related to powerful social, economic, political and cultural exclusionary processes, including prejudice and discrimination.

Migration of Roma and non-Roma from central and eastern Europe (CEE)

The authors of a recently published United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) paper, "An option of last resort? Migration of Roma and non-Roma from CEE countries", used a combination of quantitative and qualitative methods to address myths about Roma migration. The publication is part of UNDP's Roma Inclusion Working Papers series and uses data from the 2011 UNDP/World Bank/European Commission regional Roma survey, the 2011 European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) Roma pilot survey and qualitative research conducted among Roma migrants in Belgium. Improving access to health care for Gypsies and travellers, homeless people and sex workers This evidence-based guide published by the Royal College of General Practitioners (RCGP) indicates that radical changes are needed to meet the health care needs of vulnerable groups – including sex workers, Gypsies and travellers and homeless people. The guide will be presented at the RCGP Annual Primary Care Conference to be held in Liverpool, United Kingdom (2–4 October 2014).

Devon Gypsy & Traveller Project 2012/2013: quitting smoking and improving health and wellbeing

This final report summarizes the results of an initiative to remove access barriers to mainstream smoking cessation services through community health agents and cultural awareness training addressed to health promotion staff in Devon (United Kingdom). The project is a good example of intersectoral and social participation. The initiative was led by Health Promotion Devon's Inequalities Team Community Development Worker for Gypsies and Travellers (Northern Devon Healthcare Trust) Penny Dane, in conjunction with Plymouth and Devon Racial Equality Council, with input from Health Promotion Devon staff.

Hidden health crisis, a report by the European Roma Rights Centre

This new report by the European Roma Rights Centre in Romania shows a 16-year difference in the age at death between Roma and non-Roma. The report advocates for collecting and publishing disaggregated data on Roma to improve their health outcomes and life chances. The report also outlines the legal framework around data collection, including the safeguards that exist to protect individuals, and the good practice of European states which collect and publish such data in order to inform public policy.

Roma health mediation in Romania

This case study uses secondary data (research reports, evaluation reports, legislation and data in the Romani CRISS archives) to provide a critical overview of the Roma health mediation programme in Romania. It discusses the social and political context in which the programme was developed, the general characteristics of the mediation and the lessons learnt after 10 years of implementation. WHO/Europe commissioned the report, prepared by the Roma Centre for Social Intervention and Studies (Romani CRISS), Romania.

ROMED Programme launches its second phase: ROMED2

ROMED (Mediation for Roma) is the Council of Europe programme that promotes Roma participation in democratic governance through mediation. The second phase, ROMED 2, aims to work at local level, by supporting local partners in 40 municipalities across 10 countries respond to the needs of the Roma community.

Implementation of the Action Plan on improving the situation of Roma and Sinti within the OSCE area

The Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) published a status report 10 years after the Action Plan's adoption. Chapter 1 covers comprehensive Roma strategies and Chapter 4 addresses health care in Roma communities.

Analysis of FRA Roma survey results by gender

This report presents an analysis of data from the 2011 Roma pilot survey disaggregated by gender, and contributes to the European Parliament's report on "Gender aspects of the European Framework of National Roma Integration Strategies". The survey took place in Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, France, Greece, Italy, Hungary, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia and Spain. The European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) in collaboration with the European Commission, the United Nations Development Programme and the World Bank conducted the survey.

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WHO Expert Committee on Biological Standardization

This report presents the recommendations of a WHO Expert Committee commissioned to coordinate activities leading to the adoption of international recommendations for the production and control of vaccines and other biologicals, and the establishment of international biological reference materials.

International Classification of Diseases for Oncology (ICD-O).

This is a revised edition of the International Classification of Diseases for Oncology (ICD-O) which has been used for nearly 25 years as the standard tool for coding diagnoses of neoplasms in tumour and cancer registrars and in pathology laboratories. ICD-O is a dual classification with coding systems for both topography and morphology.

Trichiasis Surgery for Trachoma

The updated version of this manual combines and updates material contained in three previous manuals on bilamellar tarsal rotation procedure, trabut procedure, and the final assessment of candidate trichiasis surgeons.

Oral Health Surveys. 5th Edition

This manual encourages countries to conduct standardized oral health surveys that are comparable internationally. The manual provides guidelines for assessing the current oral health status of a population and the future needs for oral health intervention.

World Cancer Report 2014

This book from the International Agency for Research on Cancer, the specialized cancer agency of the World Health Organization, provides a unique global view of cancer, including cancer patterns, causes, and prevention.

Some Chemicals in Industrial and Consumer Products, Food Contaminants and Flavourings, and Water Chlorination By-products

This volume of the IARC Monographs provides an assessment of the carcinogenicity of 18 chemicals present in industrial and consumer products or food (natural constituents, contaminants, or flavourings) or occurring as water-chlorination by-products.

Non-Ionizing Radiation, Part 2: Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields

The topic of this Monograph is the evaluation of the carcinogenicity of radiation in the radiofrequency (RF) range (30 kHz to 300 GHz) of the electromagnetic spectrum.

Bitumens and Bitumen Emissions, and Some N- and S-Heterocyclic Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons

This one-hundred-and-third volume of the IARC Monographs contains evaluations of the carcinogenic hazard to humans of bitumens and bitumen emissions, and of some N- and S-heterocyclic polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (referred to as azaarenes and thiaarenes, respectively).

Immunization Safety Surveillance. Second Edition

This second edition, which includes revised guidelines for managers of immunization programmes, aims to assist managers in immunization programmes and national regulatory authorities to establish/strengthen immunization safety surveillance system.

Medicinal Plants in Mongolia

This volume, one in a series on medicinal plants in Member States of WHO's Western Pacific Region, introduces Mongolian traditional medicine and details the nature and uses of medicinal plants found in the country.

Measles Elimination Field Guide

This guide describes in detail the current challenges and activities needed to interrupt measles transmission, to prevent and respond rapidly to emerging measles outbreaks, and to ensure sensitive surveillance is in place. It is presented in a form that can be readily adapted by national immunization managers to suit country situations.

Bulletin of the World Health Organization, Vol. 92, No. 1, 2014

As the flagship periodical of WHO, the Bulletin is a leading international voice on public health issues. This peer-reviewed monthly draws on the expertise within WHO to provide a vital resource for those interested in research, policy issues and debate on international public health, particularly the problems confronting developing countries.

Eastern Mediterranean Health Journal, Vol. 19 Supplement 1, 2013

The EMHJ was launched in 1995 as a peer-reviewed medical journal. Starting January 2010, the Journal has been given a new format and is now published monthly. The EMHJ serves as a forum for the dissemination of biomedical information through the publication of scientific research papers on a range of topics related to public health, with particular relevance to the Eastern Mediterranean Region.

BOOKS IN RUSSIAN

World Health Statistics 2012 (RUSSIAN)

The World Health Statistics series is WHO's annual compilation of health-related data for its 194 Member States, and includes a summary of the progress made towards achieving the health-related Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and associated targets.

CaseBook on Ethical Issues in International Health Research (RUSSIAN)

This casebook collects 64 case studies, each of which raises an important and difficult ethical issue connected with planning, reviewing, or conducting health-related research.

European Health Report 2012 (The) (RUSSIAN)

This report presents the health status of Europe, providing policy-makers and public health professionals with the epidemiological evidence base that underpins Health 2020, the new European policy framework.

WHO Report on the Global Tobacco Epidemic 2011: Warning about the dangers of tobacco (RUSSIAN)

This report, the third periodic country-level examination of the global tobacco epidemic, identifies the countries that have taken effective tobacco control measures that save lives.