

# **EUPHA Newsletter March 2007**

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# 1. EUPHA conference Helsinki: March update

The 2007 EUPHA conference is organised by the Society for Social Medicine in the Finlandia Hall, Helsinki, Finland. The main theme is "Future of Public Health in the Unified Europe". The dates are 11 to 13 October 2007. More information on the conference can be found on the regularly updated EUPHA website: **www.eupha.org**.

# ABSTRACTS

Please note that the abstract submission is now open. Abstracts can only be submitted through the online submission system at **www.eupha.org**. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is **1 MAY 2007**. Abstracts can be submitted for single presentations (both oral and poster) and for workshops/seminars. The chair of the International Scientific Committee, Prof. Elina Hemminki, has emphasized the following major topics for the conference:

· Social and cultural determinants of health

- Public health policies in Europe
- Health in all policies
- Evaluation of health care reforms
- Priorities in health technology assessments
- Consumerism, medicalisation and health services
- Politics and policies in health promotion
- Alcohol in public health policy
- Promoting physical exercise
- Workplace health promotion
- Controlling epidemics of chronic diseases
- Genetics and public health
- Migration, health and well-being
- · Social welfare systems and public health

# **ROMA WORKSHOP**

EUPHA, together with the SOROS Foundation and the EU project on health monitoring of the migrant and ethnic population, are organising a workshop on the specific health issues of the Roma population. If you are interested in participating in this workshop, please submit a summary of your activities in this field to: **D.zeegers@nivel.nl** 

# 2. Call for interest/short courses

# CALL FOR INFORMATION FOR MIGRANT HEALTH PROJECT

### Dear colleaques,

As partners in a European collaboration research programme in migrant health, we are in need of information about data from registers and surveys regarding utilisation of health care and self-reported health. Therefore, we are interested in getting into contact with people with special knowledge and/or access to health data sets within this field in different EU-countries. If you are able to help us with this, please contact us per email: s.smith.nielsen@pubhealth.ku.dk.

Thank you in advance.

Professor Allan Krasnik and research assistant Signe Smith Nielsen

Department of Health Services Research

Institute of Public Health

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# SHORT COURSES IN INTERNATIONAL HEALTH, BASEL, SWITZERLAND

Swiss Tropical Institute, Basel,

Short courses in international health 2007

- Health district management 1: planning and programme design, 11-22 June
- Health district management 2: priority setting and resource allocation, 25 June 6 July
- Rational medicine management: a focus on HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, 5-16 November (Ifakara, Tanzania)

Please check: www.sti.ch or contact the institute at: courses-sti@unibas.ch

# SHORT COURSE ON EVALUATION, FRIBOURG, SWITZERLAND

The University of Fribourg in collaboration with the Swiss Evaluation Society (SEVAL) propose the continunig education course : **Self-evaluation: illusions, confusions, solutions and fusions** This professional development seminar will be held in Fribourg, April 26-27, 2007. Please, find enclosed the programme and the registration form. You also have the possibility to register online: http://www.unifr.ch/formcont/D/offre/courses.php?c\_id=370

# CALL FOR PAPERS: Burden of disease or related topics to Population Health Metrics

Submit papers reflecting your research on: Burden of disease or related topics to Population Health Metrics. Website: http://www.pophealthmetrics.com/home/

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Addressing issues relating to concepts, methods, ethics, applications and results in the measurement of the health of populations in the areas of health state measurement and valuation, summary measures of level of population health, and inequality in population health, descriptive epidemiology at the population level, burden of disease and injury analysis, disease and risk factor modeling for populations, and comparative assessment of risks to health at population level.

The journal aims to provide a platform for researchers in all these areas to share their findings with the global research community.

To promote transparency and accountability, a policy of open peer review of submitted articles is adopted by the journal.

Please submit your manuscripts using the journal's online system. For comments or questions, please email: mathersc@who.int

Sincerely,

Colin D. Mathers

Christopher J.L. Murray

Alan D. Lopez

Editors-in-Chief Population Health Metrics http://www.pophealthmetrics.com/home

# 3. Upcoming conferences/seminars

Title	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual world Health Care Congress Europe 2007
Date	26-28 March 2007
Place	Barcelona, Spain
Organiser	Worldcongress
Deadline abstracts	

More information	www.worldcongress.com/europe
<b>Title</b> Date Place Organiser Deadline abstracts More information	Journées de la prévention Inpes 2007 29-30 March 2007 Paris, France INPES together with the French Society of Public Health - http://www.inpes.sante.fr/index.asp?page=jp/2007/index.htm%20
Title Date Place Organiser Deadline abstracts More information	Spring Course: Health Education and Health Promotion; Theory and Practice 16-20 April 2007 Maastricht, The Netherlands University of Maastricht - www.researchschoolcare.nl/
Title Date Place Organiser Deadline abstracts More information	1st International Conference of the journal Public Health: Social, Cultural and Economic Determinants of Health International Perspectives for Global Action 9-11 May 2007 Lisbon, Portugal Public Health in association with the Royal Institute of Public Health. - http://www.publichealth.elsevier.com/programme.htm
Title Date Place Organiser Deadline abstracts More information	International Conference: Towards Sustainable Global Health 9 - 11 May 2007 Bonn Germany representatives and partners of the United Nations: UNESCO/UNEVOC, UNU-EHS, ILO, IHDP and the University of Bonn, Institute for Hygiene and Public Health (WHO CC). Has passed http://www.gemini.de/global-health/
<b>Title</b> Date Place Organiser Deadline abstracts More information	International symposium: "Solar Radiation and Human Health" 10-11 May 2007 Oslo, Norway Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters, Committee of Geomedicine - http://www.dnva.no/geomed/solar.html
Title Date Place Organiser Deadline abstracts More information	First Eunese Conference: European Network for Safety among Elderly 14-15 May 2007 Brussels, Belgium Europe Network for Safety among Elderly (EUNESE). www.eunese.org
Title Date Place Organiser Deadline abstracts	<b>5th European Congress on Tropical Medicine and International</b> <b>Health: "Partnership and Innovation in Glob@l Health"</b> 24-28 May 2007 Amsterdam, the Netherlands Federation of the Societies of Tropical Medicine and International Health and the Netherlands Society for Tropical Medicine and International Health 15 March 2007

More information	www.nvtg.org <b>or</b> info@trop-amsterdam2007.com
<b>Title</b> Date Place Organiser	<b>Complex Systems Approaches to Population Health</b> May 30 - 31, 2007 Ann Arbor, Michigan, US Center for Social Epidemiology and Population Health and The Center for the Study of Complex Systems
Deadline abstracts More information	- http://www.complexityandhealth2007.org
Organiser Deadline abstracts	4 <sup>th</sup> International conference on Children's Health and the Environment 10-12 June 2007 Viena, Austria INCHES 1 April (posters) www.inchesnetwork.net
<b>Title</b> Date Place Organiser Deadline abstracts More information	Improving the health care and life expectancy of ethnic populations around the world 21-24 June 2007 Orlando, Florida, US ISHIB and the American Society on Hypertension - www.ishib.org
<b>Title</b> Date Place Organiser	The Second OECD World Forum on Statistics, Knowledge and Policy: Measuring and Fostering the Progress of Societies 27-30 June 2007 Istanbul, Turkey OECD in co-operation with the European Commission, the Organisation of the Islamic Conference, the United Nations and the World Bank
Deadline abstracts More information	 www.oecd.org/
<b>Title</b> Date Place Organiser	Joint meeting of the Society for Social Medicine & The International Epidemiological Association 12-14 September 2007 University College Cork, Ireland Society for Social Medicine & The International Epidemiological Association
Deadline abstracts More information	Has passed http://www.ucc.ie/academic/pubh/events.htm
<b>Title</b> Date Place Organiser Deadline abstracts More information	Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene Centenary Conference: One Hundred Years of Tropical Medicine, Meeting the Millennium Development Goals 13-15 September 2007 London, UK www.rstmh.elsevier.com
<b>Title</b> Date Place Organiser	2007 "European Scientific Conference on Applied Infectious Disease Epidemiology"(ESCAIDE) 18-20 October 2007 Stockholm, Sweden ECDC together with EPIET

Deadline abstracts More information	-
Title Date Place Organiser Deadline abstracts More information	European NanOSH conference: Nanotechnologies: a crucial area in occupational safety and health 3-5 December 2007 Helsinki, Finland Finnish Institute of Occupational Health - www.ttl.fi/euronanosh
Title	International conference on Social Statistics and Ethnic Diversity: Should we count, how should we count and why?
Date Place Organiser Deadline abstracts	Montréal, Canada 6-8 December 2007 International conference organized jointly by the Quebec Inter- University Centre for Social Statistics (QICSS, Montréal) and the Institut national d'études démographiques (INED, Paris) by May 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2007 simultaneously to the three following addresses:
More information	<u>a.gagnon@umontreal.ca; victor@acpd.ca;</u> simon@ined.fr <u>.</u> <u>Presentations can be made in French or English</u> http://www.ciqss.umontreal.ca/en/SSED/index.html
<b>Title</b> Date Place Organiser Deadline abstracts More information	E-learning on the new EU programmes of 2007-2013 - Europe Media PSC - www.europamedia.org

# 4. Interesting publications

# Promoting the Public's Health: EUPHA 2005 conference book.

H. Noack, D. Kahr-Gottlieb, editors. Verlag für Gesundheitsförderung, Gamburg, 2006. Please contact: dvkahr@utanet.at for more information.

Workplace Health Promotion in Europe – the role of national health policies and strategies. Riitta-Maija Hämäläinen, Finnish Institute of Occupational Health, Helsinki, 2006.

**UK Faculty of Public Health: FAT – position statement.** Faculty of Public Health, London, 2006. www.fph.org.uk

# Monitoring Financial Flows for Health Research 2006: The changing landscape of health research for development

Global Forum for Health Research, Available online as PDf file [108p.] at: http://www.globalforumhealth.org/filesupId/monitoring\_financial\_flows\_06/Financial%20Flows%202006 .pdf

# Cancer Control Opportunities in Low- and Middle-Income Countries

Board on Global Health (BGH) Report Brief • February 2007- US Institute of Medicine IOM Available online at: http://www.nap.edu/catalog/11797.html

# Extension of Social Protection in Health in Latin America and the Caribbean: Bridging Research and Practices

Cadernos de Saúde Pública vol.22 suppl. Rio de Janeiro 2006 Editorial : http://www.ensp.fiocruz.br/csp/pesi.html

# Research Report: The Ethical Recruitment of Internationally Educated Health Professionals: Lessons from Abroad and Options for Canada

Tom McIntosh, Renée Torgerson and Nathan Klassen. Canadian Policy Research Networks CPRN Research Report H|11. January 2007. 43 pp. Available online at: http://www.cprn.org/en/doc.cfm?doc=1611

# Seven habits of highly effective global public-private health partnerships: Practice and potential

Kent Buse, and Andrew M. Harmer, **O**verseas Development Institute - ODI, London, UK Social Science & Medicine, Volume 64, Issue 2, January 2007, Pages 259-271 Abstract: http://tinyurl.com/2put3f ODI Briefing Paper 15, January 2007 at: http://www.odi.org.uk/publications/briefing/bp\_jan07\_global\_health.pdf

# Ninth Futures Forum on health systems governance and public participation

WHO Regional Office for Europe, Denmark - 2006 Available online as PDF file [40p.] at: http://www.networks.nhs.uk/uploads/07/01/9threporfinal.pdf

# Health Human Resources Policy in the 21st Century

Canadian Public Policy, January 2007 Website: http://economics.ca/cpp/en/special2007.php

Acta Informatica Medica: Journal of the society for Medical Informatics of Bosnia & Herzegovina, issue 1-64

Articles include:

- application of the surface coil in the magnetic resonance review of the orbital vessels anatomy
- the pathogenicity of bacterial approach: a statistical approach
- Some of advantages of off pump CABG vs. on pump CABG
- Model of databases for evaluation of chronic pelvic pain related to appendicitis

**Italian Journal of Public Health,** 3(3-4), Winter 2006. Issue devoted to **Public Health Genomics**. Guest editors: Stefania Boccia, Angela Brand, Helmut Brand, Muin J. Khoury, Peter Schröder, Ron Zimmern

### Health insurance for the poor: initial impacts of Vietnam's health care fund for the poor Adam Wagstaff

World Bank, Impact Evaluation Series ; no. 11Policy, Research Working Paper ; no. WPS 4134 http://www-

wds.worldbank.org/external/default/WDSContentServer/IW3P/IB/2007/02/05/000016406\_2007020511 0453/Rendered/PDF/wps4134.pdf

# DELIVERING ON THE PROMISE OF PRO-POOR GROWTH: Insights and Lessons from Country Experiences

Timothy Besley and Louise J. Cord, Editors A copublication of The World Bank and Palgrave Macmillan - 2007 Washington DC USA Available online as PDF file [270p.] at: http://siteresources.worldbank.org/INTPGI/Resources/PPG eBook.pdf

# Sourcebook for Evaluating Global and Regional Partnership Programs: Indicative Principles and Standards - 2007

IEG–World Bank http://www.worldbank.org/ieg/grpp Washington, D.C. Available online as PDF file [148p.] at: http://siteresources.worldbank.org/EXTGLOREGPARPRO/Resources/sourcebook.pdf

# Global health partnerships: the UK contribution to health in developing countries Nigel Crisp

UK Secretaries of State for Health and International Development, February 2007 The report can be accessed PDF [180p.] at http://www.dh.gov.uk/assetRoot/04/14/30/85/04143085.pdf

# What Drives Health-Care Spending Priorities? An International Survey of Health-Care Professionals

Glenn Salkeld, David Henry, Suzanne Hill, Danielle Lang, Nick Freemantle, Jefferson D'Assunção This study was funded by the World Health Organization and AusAID, the Australian Government's overseas aid program. PLoS Med 4(2): e94 doi:10.1371/journal.pmed.0040094 - February 20, 2007 Available online at:

http://medicine.plosjournals.org/perlserv/?request=get-document&doi=10.1371/journal.pmed.0040094

# Health human resources planning and the production of health: Development of an extended analytical framework for needs based health human resources planning

Stephen Birch, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario George Kephart, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia Gail Tomblin-Murphy, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia Linda O'Brien-Pallas, University of Toronto Rob Alder, Med-Emerg International Inc., Toronto Adrian MacKenzie, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia SEDAP Research Paper No. 168 January 2007 Available online as PDF file [39p.] at: http://socserv2.socsci.mcmaster.ca/~sedap/p/sedap168.pdf

# Uninsured in America: problems and possible solutions

Karen Davis, Commonwealth Fund, New York, USA BMJ 2007;334:346-348 (17 February, 2007), doi:10.1136/bmj.39091.493588.BE Website: http://www.bmj.com/cgi/content/full/334/7589/346

# Rethinking Equal Access: Agency, Quality, and Norms

Jennifer Prah Ruger - Yale University - School of Medicine Global Public Health, Vol. 2, No. 1, pp. 78-96, 2007 Available online PDF [19p.] at: http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\_id=957973

#### Community Health Centers - A Movement and the People Who Made It Happen Bonnie Lefkowitz

Rutgers University Press, January, 2007 Preface and Chapter 1 available online PDF [20p.] at : http://www.cfah.org/pdfs/Bonnie-Lefkowitz-Community-Health-Centers.pdf

# The BIAS FREE Framework: A practical tool for identifying and eliminating social biases in health research

Mary Anne Burke and Margrit Eichler. Global Forum for Health Research, Geneva, Switzerland, 2006 Available online at: http://www.globalforumhealth.org/Site/002\_\_What%20we%20do/005\_\_Publications/010\_\_BIAS%20F REE.php

# The Veterans Health Administration: An American Success Story?

ADAM OLIVER - RCUK Academic Fellow, LSE Health and Social Care, London School of Economics and Political Science, UK Milbank Memorial Fund, Volume 85, Number 1, 2007 Available online at: http://www.milbank.org/quarterly/8501feat.html

# Neurological disorders: Public health challenges

World Health Organization (WHO), February 2007 Available online as PDF file [232p.] at: http://www.who.int/mental\_health/neurology/neurological\_disorders\_report\_web.pdf

# THE POLITICS OF GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO HIV/AIDS IN RUSSIA AND BRAZIL: HISTORICAL INSTITUTIONS, CULTURE, AND STATE CAPACITY

Eduardo J. Gómez – Politics and Governance Group Department of Population and International Health *Working Paper No. 4* -June 2006 - HARVARD INITIATIVE FOR GLOBAL HEALTH Available online as PDF file [p.] at: http://www.globalhealth.harvard.edu/documents/WorkingPaper4.pdf

# Primary Health Care Research Impact Project: Final Report Stage 1 - February 2007

PHC RIS Research Team: Associate Professor Libby Kalucy, Associate Professor Ellen McIntyre, Eleanor Jackson Bowers Consultant: Professor Richard Reed Primary Health Care Research & Information Service - Flinders University in South Australia February 2007 Available online as PDF file [48p.] at: http://www.phcris.org.au/phplib/filedownload.php?file=/elib/lib/downloaded\_files/publications/pdfs/phcri s pub 3338.pdf

# Quality or equality? The Norwegian experience with medical monopolies

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Dag Bratlid, Department of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, St. Olavs University Hospital; Institute of Laboratory Medicine, Children's and Women's Diseases, Faculty of Medicine, the Norwegian University for Science and Technology, Norway

BMC Health Services Research – February 2007, 7:20 doi:10.1186/1472-6963-7-20 PDF [7p] online at: http://www.biomedcentral.com/content/pdf/1472-6963-7-20.pdf

# Discrimination - a threat to public health

National Institute of Public Health (FHI) – Sweden - 2006 Available online as PDF file [48p.] at: http://www.fhi.se/shop/material\_pdf/r200622\_diskrimination\_eng.pdf

# Towards a more health promoting health service: Summary of study material, government bills, parliamentary decisions, draft indicators and examples of application

Swedish National Institute of Public Health, December 2006 Available online as PDF file [56p.] at: http://www.fhi.se/shop/material\_pdf/R200630\_health\_promoting\_0702.pdf

# The Report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 2006

UNITED NATIONS PUBLICATION

Press Release March 1<sup>st</sup> 2007: http://www.incb.org/pdf/e/press/2007/annual-report-press-kit-2006-en-2.pdf

Full Report - English PDF [120 p.] at: http://www.incb.org/pdf/e/ar/2006/annual-report-2006-en.pdf Bulletin of the World Health Organization

**Strategic management of the health workforce in developing countries: what have we learned?** Scott A Fritzen - LKY School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, Singapore Human Resources for Health – February 2007, 5:4 doi:10.1186/1478-4491-5-4 Available online at: http://www.human-resources-health.com/content/5/1/4

# Our unequal society

Fiona Godlee, editor BMJ 2007;334 (3 March 2007), doi:10.1136/bmj.39140.571759.43 Available online at: http://www.bmj.com/cgi/content/full/334/7591/0

# 5. European Commission: update

Health and Consumer Voice of the European Commission is a monthly publication with information on health and consumer issues (includes articles and interviews).

To subscribe directly to this newsletter, please go to:

http://ec.europa.eu/comm/coreservices/mailing/index.cfm?serviceid=1



### Programme 2003-2008 The call for proposal for 2007 is now open !

### Programme 2003-2008

Commission Decision adopting the work plan for 2007 for the implementation of the programme of Community action in the field of public health (2003-2008), including the annual work programme for grants Available in 21 languages

### Health determinants: Tobacco

Pictorial health warnings - Commissioner Kyprianou urges EU governments to use pictorial warnings on tobacco packets

### Health determinants: Tobacco control

Smoke-free environments

### Health determinants: Tobacco

Green Paper - Towards a Europe free from tobacco smoke: policy options at EU level Now available in 17 languages

### Overview of Health Strategy

EU Health Forum Available in de, en, fr

### Health information: Analysing and reporting on health

Health reporting systems at national level Italy updated

#### **Health Services**

Results of the consultation regarding community action on health services Updated

### Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Emerging and Newly Identified Health Risks

Request for a scientific opinion on the safety of dental amalgam and alternative dental restoration materials for patients and users

#### **Health services**

Results of the consultation regarding community action on health services updated

#### Influenza: Influenza fact sheets

- Confirmed human cases of avian influenza A/(H5N1) since 2003 data as of 06 February 2007
- Confirmed human cases of avian influenza A/(H5N1) by date of onset and country from January 2006 up to date data as of 06 February 2007
- Confirmed human cases of avian influenza since 1997 sorted by subtypes data as of 06 February 2007
- Confirmed human cases of avian influenza since 1997 sorted by subtypes data as of 06 February 2007
- Distribution H5N1 cases by age group up to date data as of 06 February 2007

### Rare diseases: Newsletter

OrphaNews Newsletter of the Rare diseases Task Force Editon: February 2007

#### Health information: funded projects 2004

ENHIS2 - Establishment Of Environmental Health Information System Supporting Policy Making Interim report

### Health information

The EU Public Health Portal now available in 20 languages

#### Threats to health: Tissues and cells

Summary Table of Responses from Competent Authorities: Questionnaire on the transposition and implementation of the European Tissues and Cells regulatory framework Key Document

#### **Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Health and Environmental Risks**

Public consultation on the SCHER preliminary report on Risk assessment on indoor air quality Deadline for submission of comments: 03 April 2007

#### Tobacco: HELP - For a life without tobacco campaign

The European Youth Manifesto is now available in all EU languages

#### **Health services**

Results of the consultation regarding community action on health services updated

#### Overview of health policy

Healthy Democracy - Conclusions and Actions following the DG SANCO 2006 Peer Review Group on Stakeholder Involvement Publication

#### Health information: Developing European Union health indicators

Evaluating the Uptake of the Healthy Life Years Indicator - Final report - Rand Europe - December 2006 Publication

#### Working Party Lifestyle and other determinants Newsletter

Edition: February 2007

#### Health determinants: Alcohol

Reducing alcohol-related harm across the EU - Factsheet Publication now available in DE and FR

#### Health determinants: Nutrition

Ten Key Facts About Nutrition and Obesity Publication now available in DE and FR

#### Health determinants: Nutrition

Nutrition & obesity Publication now available in DE and FR

### **Health information: Working Parties**

Working Party on Accidents and Injuries Page updated

#### **Health services**

Results of the consultation regarding community action on health services Page updated

#### Health information: funded projects 2005

LiS II - Scientific Platform of the Working Party Lifestyle and other Health Determinants Outcome

#### **Health services**

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#### Health determinants: HELP - For a life without tobacco campaign

The CO measurement campaign is back. In 2007, more than 250 events will be organised in the 27 Member States. See the national event draft plans