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1. EUPHA – ASPHER 2009: Lodz, Poland

The 2009 Joint European Public Health Conference is approaching fast. The conference on 'Human ecology and health' will be organized from 25 to 28 November in the Andel's Conference venue in Lodz, Poland. For the final programme and information on pre-conferences please see this link: http://www.eupha.org/documents/upcoming_conference/2009/EUPHA_Preliminary_programme_25_O ctober_2009_FULL_Programme.pdf

Conference Tracks

The conference is divided into 10 different tracks. Participants have the possibility to concentrate on one subject matter throughout the conference or create their own "potpourri" of sessions from different tracks. You will be able to choose from following tracks:

- 1. Human ecology and public health
- 2. European policy and research
- 3. Health services
- 4. Health promotion and injury prevention
- 5. Mental health and chronic diseases
- 6. Occupational health
- 7. Child and adolescent public health and migrant health
- 8. Public health workforce: capacity building
- 9. Surveillance, monitoring and performance
- 10. International health

We still have limited space for experts to attend the conference. For further information, please see the conference webpage via the EUPHA website – http://www.eupha.org/site/upcoming_conference.php.

2. Call for proposals and job vacancies

Working Conference Health Services Research in Europe 8-9 April 2010 Announcement & Call for Contributions

Interested parties in the field of Health Services Research (HSR) are invited to help identifying and improving the contribution of health services research to European policy and practice. To that end, a special two-day working conference will give researchers and policy makers the opportunity to set an agenda with priorities for health services research in Europe and at national level, tuned to the information needs of the policy makers. The conference will be a mix of thematic workshops on main areas of HSR and plenary sessions on the research & policy agenda. *Call for Contributions*

Both policy makers and researchers are invited to submit abstracts at our website for a contribution to this working conference. Policy abstracts may address experiences with the use of research in policy or under-researched priority areas in the health care sector. Research abstracts may focus on innovative applied research projects/programs or on structured ways of collaboration with decision makers. Admitted abstracts will be used as a contribution to guide the discussion at a thematic conference workshop. These contributions go beyond the usual posters or 'ten-minute presentations'. *Online consultation*

In November 2009 an online expert consultation will be organized, aimed to assess what experts think about the current and desired priorities in the field of health services in their country and in Europe as a whole. When the consultation opens you are kindly invited to answer the questionnaire and help develop tailored research questions for a policy supportive HSR agenda.

You can visit our website, submit an abstract and subscribe to our newsletter at:

http://www.healthservicesresearch.eu or contact us at hsr_europe@nivel.nl. *Key dat*es

- Call for contributions: open from now until 15 December 2009
- Online expert consultation: scheduled to open 12 November 2009
- Early bird conference registration: possible until 1 February 2010
- Working Conference: 8-9 April 2010 in The Hague (Netherlands)

Assistant professor or post-doc position, University of Bielefeld, School of Public Health

The School of Public Health at Bielefeld University, Department of Public Health Medicine, invites young researchers to apply for an assistant professor or post-doc position (3+ years; starting January 1, 2010 or later; E13).

The Department of Public Health Medicine has a broad research spectrum with focus e.g. in infectious disease epidemiology, concepts and methods of burden of disease studies, migrant health, prevention and health promotion at the university setting, health in a megacity setting with an international perspective, and the topic of violence and health. We currently participate in 3 large EU-funded research consortia and the priority programme "Megacities" funded by the German Research Council (DFG) (www.uni-bielefeld.de/gesundhw/ag2/index.html).

The inter-disciplinary Bielefeld School of Public Health was founded in 1994 and currently represents with its 8 departments the largest School of Public Health in the German speaking region of Europe (www. unibielefeld.de/gesundhw/index.html). It offers the chance for young faculty to address public health research and teaching from a modern multi-disciplinary perspective ("New Public Health").

The applicant should have an educational health sciences background with doctoral degree (MD, MPH, MSc in Epidemiology or related diploma) and experience in the field of public health medicine or epidemiology as demonstrated through peer-reviewed publications. Expertise in grant writing, grant management and teaching experience are desired. German language skills are helpful.

University of Bielefeld applies equal opportunities and accepts applications without distinction on the grounds of age, race, political, philosophical or religious conviction, sexual orientation, marital status or family situation. The university strives to increase the proportion of women and people with disabilities in academia. Given equal qualification, women and people with disabilities will therefore be given preference.

Applicants please send the applications including a detailed CV **until November 30, 2009,** to the Chair of the Department of Public Health Medicine, Prof. Alexander Krämer, MD, PhD, alexander.kraemer@unibielefeld.de. Contact: Prof. Dr. A. Krämer, phone: +49 (0)521 106-6889

Malaria Project Director in Nigeria

AED is seeking a Project Director for a proposed USAID malaria project that will support the Nigeria National Malaria Strategic Plan and National Malaria Control Program (NMCP). The project will increase the quality, access, and uptake of specific malaria control interventions, including insecticide-treated nets (ITNs), artemisinin-based combination therapies (ACTs), rapid diagnostic tests (RDTs), and intermittent preventive treatment (IPTp) to pregnant women. The project will include the public health sector and the formal and informal private health sector. In addition to scale-up and delivery of interventions, the project will: strengthen the management capacity of the State Ministry of Health and Local Government Area health personnel to provide planning and oversight of malaria interventions; promote positive malaria-related behaviors through behavior change communication activities and community mobilization; and improve the ability of the focus states and NMCP to monitor and evaluate malaria interventions and use data effectively for decision-making.

The Project Director will set a broad vision for and provide direction to the project. The Project Director – to be based in Nigeria – is accountable to USAID; oversees all aspects of performance (technical, financial, and managerial); supervises core staff and coordinates all long- and short-term personnel; and serves as the project's principal contact point for USAID and partner organizations.

Specific functions include:

- Manage overall project including responsibility for programmatic, financial, administrative, contractual, donor liaison, communication (project dissemination), and representation functions.
- Provide overall technical leadership in one or more core content areas (e.g., ITNs, ACTs, RDTs, IPTp, private sector approaches, capacity-building, BCC, or M&E) and supervise and provide technical support to designated technical and management teams.
- Establish and maintain close working relationships, partnerships, and coordination with the NMCP, State Ministry of Health, USAID-funded partners, and other stakeholders and partners, including non-USG donors.
- Build capacity among stakeholders (e.g., NMCP, State Ministry of Health, LGA leadership, private sector, NGOs) to manage and implement malaria control programs.
- Oversee development of annual workplans, budgets, reports, and other deliverables, ensuring all are on time and of high quality. Supervise performance monitoring and evaluation efforts.
- Troubleshoot to prevent and resolve potential problems and review outputs for quality control; ensure quality of all project activities.

The ideal candidate is a recognized leader in malaria with senior experience managing complex, multimillion dollar donor-funded (preferably USAID) projects and with experience working in Africa (preferably Nigeria). S/he will have proven expertise in ensuring institutional capacity development and skills transfer among public, private, and NGO partners. S/he will have strong management and problem-solving skills, demonstrated experience in navigating complex political and policy issues, and the ability to work with government agencies, particularly USAID, and with multiple stakeholders and decision-makers. A Master's degree is required in public health, development, social sciences, or a related field; and 15 years of relevant experience, including a minimum five years of experience working in Africa, preferably in Anglophone West Africa. Long-term work experience in Nigeria is highly desirable.

Qualified applicants are asked to send a cover letter and resume to malaria@aed.org by November 15, 2009. We thank all individuals for their interest in AED, however only those selected for interviews will be contacted. AA/EOE/M/F/D/V

EHMA Internship Programme

The European Health Management Association (EHMA) is looking for a Projects and Events Management Trainee from December 2009 (minimum of 3 months). EHMA has a young and dynamic team that works in a stimulating and challenging environment. Stagiaires are not usually salaried positions, but EHMA does offer a stipend designed to cover subsistence costs.

For more information on the profile we are looking for, please see: http://www.ehma.org/index.php?q=node/318.

To apply, please send your CV and cover letter to Britta.Baer@ehma.org explaining your interest in and motivation for applying to join EHMA's internship programme. The deadline for registration is **8** November 2009. Interviews will take place in mid-November.

3. Interesting news

EuroSafe - European Association for Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion

The latest issue of the EuroSafe Alert Vol. 4, Issue 3 is available at http://www.eurosafe.eu.com/csi/eurosafe2006.nsf/wwwNewsletterCurent/1A12932D44C65CE8C12571 770035F47C/\$file/Alert.pdf. This newsletter brings you up to date with information and developments in the field of injury prevention and safety promotion. If you have any news you would like to include in the next issue please forward this to the attention of Joke Broekhuizen (secretariat@eurosafe.eu.com).



20th IUHPE World Conference on Health Promotion - Call for abstracts out now We are pleased to invite you to the 20th IUHPE World Conference on Health Promotion. It will take place from 11 – 15 July 2010 in Geneva, Switzerland. The conference's title is Geneva 2010: Health, Equity and Sustainable Development. It aims to build bridges between two fields that are interlinked in many ways – health promotion and sustainable development. We expect over two thousand professionals and decision makers from all over the world. The Call for Abstracts is open now. Deadline for submission is 30 November 2009. For further information see www.iuhpeconference.net. Contact: Health Promotion Switzerland at info@iuhpeconference.net.

EU Briefing on the new Commission Communication - "Solidarity in health: reducing health inequalities in the EU"

The issue of health inequalities, both within and between Member States of the European Union has been increasingly discussed at European level in recent years. In this context, the Commission published its new Communication titled "Solidarity in Health: Reducing health inequalities in the EU" on 19 October 2009. EHMA has looked at the rationale, content and potential impact or next steps of the communication on health inequalities.

For more information, please contact Britta Baer, EHMA European Projects Manager at britta.baer@ehma.org.

Press Release - Launch of "Prescription for a Healthy Planet" campaign

Brussels, 2 October 2009 - Two leading European health organisations will hand a giant "Prescription for a Healthy Planet" to European Health Commissioner Androulla Vassiliou on Tuesday, 6 October. The health community is asking the EU to provide a better "treatment" for the ailing climate negotiations.

The Health and Environment Alliance (HEAL) and Health Care Without Harm (HCWH) have launched a campaign to increase focus on the effects on human health and to bring the voice of the health sector in the crucial weeks leading up to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change meeting in Copenhagen, 7-18 December 2009. The organisations are joined by the Climate and Health Council whose high level pledge on climate change and health has already been signed by many thousands of doctors and health professionals.

The Health Commissioner is expected to welcome the initiative and to stress the importance of health being more prominent in the climate change debate and outcome.

Health groups will urge her to present the health arguments to representatives of the EU delegation to Copenhagen and to other EU commissioners, including Stavros Dimas, the Environment Commissioner as the EU sets to finalize its negotiating position.

"The arguments about the health impact should be used right now to help achieve a 40% target on carbon reductions compared to 1990 emission levels by 2020 and to counterbalance the debate on how much climate will cost us," says Génon Jensen, Executive Director of HEAL. "Higher targets on carbon emission reductions mean better air quality, less ill health, greater public health protection and healthcare savings.

"Savings on health costs that can be achieved from a higher target on carbon emission reductions are estimated at up to 25 billion Euros per year from 2020 onwards. These result from avoiding the costs of premature deaths, hospital admissions, days lost to ill health and extra medications that would be associated with higher levels of air pollution if strong action is not taken.

The Prescription campaign is driven by growing concern within the health and medical sector about the health impact of climate change, and how they can be more involved in crucial climate talks.

"It is disappointing that none of the climate change funding is explicitly directed at health. Experts consider global warming to be potentially the biggest health threat in the 21st century yet the health arguments are not taken on board and acted upon," says Anja Leetz, Executive Director, Health Care Without Harm Europe.

Ms Leetz adds: "We are recommending that by 2020 the EU contribute at least 35 billion Euros per year to fund global action on climate change. A proportion of this should be allocated to the health sector."

Some hospitals are already engaged in installing solar panels and encouraging staff to walk or cycle to work rather than travelling in private cars.

The European launch of the Prescription for a Healthy Planet sets the scene for the next stage in the campaign. A new website and publicity campaign is expected to draw support from dozens of major health and medical organisations and thousands of healthcare and public health individuals all over the world. They will be invited to endorse and send the Prescription to their own governments highlighting policy responses to climate change that would protect the health of our communities. At the UNFCCC pre-Copenhagen meeting in Barcelona in November a Global Network on Health and Climate Change will launched, joining the European efforts to those of other regions to prepare for actions and policy responses beyond Copenhagen.

Contact:

Diana Smith, Communications, Health and Environment Alliance. E-mail: Diana@env-health.org Génon K. Jensen, Executive Director, Health & Environment Alliance (HEAL), E-mail: genon@envhealth.org Website: www.env-health.org

Anja Leetz, Executive Director, Health Care Without Harm Europe (HCWH Europe), Email: anja.leetz@hcwh.org Website: http://www.noharm.org/europe.

8th European Conference on Health Economics

We are pleased to invite you to the 8th European Conference on Health Economics (ECHE 2010), to be held in Helsinki on 7-10 July 2010.

We welcome submission of abstracts on all areas of health economics. Further details concerning the various ECHE 2010 themes, which focus on connecting health with theoretical and/or applied economics, can be found via the 'Abstracts' link on the conference Web site:http://www.eche2010.fi/

Important ECHE 2010 dates include:

- Abstract submission deadline: 1 December 2009

- Release of abstract acceptance information: 1 February 2010

- Early-bird registration deadline: 1 April 2010

Abstracts can be submitted via the following Web page: http://eche2010.abstractsubmit.org/

4. Upcoming courses and conferences

Going International (Partner of EUPHA)

Going International (GI) promotes training and further education for experts and newcomers in public health and humanitarian assistance around the globe. The flagship of GI is the international course catalogue "medicine & health", a unique annual publication listing courses and congresses in the fields of biomedicine, public health and development cooperation. For further information: http://www.going-international.at/index.php?lang=EN

Title:	World Response Conference on Global Outbreak (WRCGO - 2009: H5N1 + H1N1 Flu)
Date:	12-13 November 2009
Place:	Las Vegas, United States
More information:	http://wrcgo.eve-ex.com/
Title:	EHMA Conference "Managing Cross Border Healthcare"
Date:	19 November 2009
Place:	Larnaca, Cyprus
Organiser:	EHMA
More information:	www.enma.org
Title:	1st International TEMOS Conference Healthcare Abroad and Health Tourism
Date:	15-17 November 2009
Place:	Cologne, Germany
More information:	info@temos-international.com
Title:	ECDC Eurovaccine Scientific Conference on Vaccination & Immunisation
Date:	11 December 2009
Place:	Stockholm, Sweden
Organiser:	ECDC
More information:	http://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en/Pages/home.aspx
Title:	Fifth Ministerial conference on Environment and Health: Protecting
	children's health in a changing environment
Date:	10-12 March 2010
Place:	Parma, Italy
Organiser:	WHO/EURO
wore information:	www.euro.who.int/parma2010
Title:	Working Conference Health Services Research in Europe
Date:	8-9 April 2010
Place:	The Hague, the Netherlands
Organiser:	HSR-Europe
wore information:	www.healthservicesresearch.eu
Title:	1st Latin American and Caribbean Conference on Global Health Alliances for
	Global Health Education: Learning from South-South Collaboration
Date:	9-11 April 2010
Place:	Cuernavaca, Mexico
Organiser: More information:	Alliances for Global Health Education http://globalhealthedu.org/events/alliances/Pages/default.aspx
	nup.//giobaineaimedu.org/events/ailiances/Fages/delauli.aspx
Title:	ETH-PHHP Summer Course 2010: Strategies for health in Europe: building
_	civil society for health
Date:	26 July to 6 August 2010
Place:	Magdeburg, Germany www.etc-summerschool.eu
wore mormation:	www.etc-summerschool.eu

5. Interesting publications

Evaluation of the organization and provision of primary care in Belarus. A survey-based project in the regions of Minsk and Vitebsk.

Wienke G.W. Boerma, Therese A. Wiegers, Dionne S.Kringos, Martina Pellny, Valentin Rusovich. By WHO Europe in collaboration with NIVEL.

Weblink: http://www.nivel.nl/pdf/FINAL%20Primary%20care%20evaluation%20in%20belarus.pdf Further information on NIVEL's acivities as a WHO Collaborating Centre is available at: www.nivel.eu

Evaluation of the organizational model of primary care in the Russian Federation. A surveybased pilot project in two rayons of Moscow oblast.

Dionne S.Kringos, Wienke G.W. Boerma, Ernst Spaan, Martina Pellny, Irina Son, Anna Korotkova. By WHO Europe in collaboration with NIVEL.

Weblink: http://www.nivel.nl/pdf/PC%20evaluation%20in%20the%20Russian%20Federation.pdf Further information on NIVEL's acivities as a WHO Collaborating Centre is available at: www.nivel.eu

Health service research and public health. Italian Journal of Public Health, 7(6), Summer 2009. For more information: www.ijph.it

Eurohealth 15(2), 2009: Parallel trade and affordable access to medicines in the EU. Published by LSE Health. For further information: www.lse.ac.uk/collections/LSEHealth

Children in immigrant families in eight affluent countries

Their family, National and International context The UNICEF Innocenti Research Centre (IRC) in Florence, Italy United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) - August 2009 Available online PDF [116p.] at: http://www.unicef-irc.org/publications/pdf/ii_immig_families.pdf

European Perspectives on Global Health: Policy Glossary

European Foundation Centre, AISBL – 2009 Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva Available online as PDF file [72p.] at : http://www.globalhealtheurope.org/images/stories/PDF_Links/EFC_EPGH_GlobalHealthGlossary-1.pdf

State of the world's vaccines and immunization

Third edition – October 2009 World Health Organization (WHO), UNICEF and the World Bank Available online PDF file [208p.] at: http://whqlibdoc.who.int/publications/2009/9789241563864_eng.pdf

Health Situation in the Americas: Basic Indicators 2009

Pan American Health Organization/ World Health Organization PAHO/WHO, 2009 Available online at: http://new.paho.org/hq/index.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_download&gid=3050&Itemid=

The Norwegian Directorate of Health's expert panel – social inequality in health:

Principles of action to tackle social inequality in health The document is both in Norwegian and English. You will find the English part by scrolling down the document. http://www.helsedirektoratet.no/vp/multimedia/archive/00093/_Handlingsprinsipper_93669a.pdf

How messy it all is

David Runciman: Who benefits from equality? Comment on: The Spirit Level: Why More Equal Societies Almost Always Do Better by Richard Wilkinson and Kate Pickett London Review of Books, 22 October 2009 Available at: http://www.lrb.co.uk/v31/n20/runc01_.html

Migration and health

Challenges and trends Norwegian Directorate of Health, 2009 Available online as PDF file [96p.] at: http://www.helsedirektoratet.no/vp/multimedia/archive/00133/Migration_and_healt_133289a.PDF

Norway and Health - An introduction

Reference Number: IS-1730 E : Norwegian Directorate of Health, 2009 Website: http://www.helsedirektoratet.no/vp/multimedia/archive/00232/Norway_and_Health___232259a.pdf

Improving Quality in Primary Care

DH/Primary and Community Care Strategy team UK Department of Health, NHS September 2009 Available online at: http://www.dh.gov.uk/prod_consum_dh/groups/dh_digitalassets/documents/digitalasset/dh_106575.pdf

The Hidden Epidemic Among Former Miners: Silicosis, Tuberculosis and The Occupational

Diseases in Mines and Works Act in the Eastern Cape, South Africa Health Systems Trust, Jaine Roberts, Deputy Director September 2009 A full copy of the report can be downloaded from: http://www.hst.org.za/publications/855

Diarrhoea :Why children are still dying and what can be done

The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)/World Health Organization (WHO), 2009 Available online at: http://whqlibdoc.who.int/publications/2009/9789241598415_eng.pdf

Gender Equity in Health

The Shifting Frontiers of Evidence and Action Editor : Gita Sen, Piroska Östlin ISBN: 978-0-415-80190-4 - Published by: Routledge Publication Date: 29th September 2009 Website: http://www.ebookstore.tandf.co.uk/html/moreinfo.asp?bookid=536972444 And http://www.routledgesociology.com/books/Gender-Equity-in-Health-isbn9780415801904

Cities and public health crises

Report of the international consultation 29-30 October 2008 - Lyon, France Available online as PDF file at: http://www.who.int/ihr/lyon/FRWHO HSE IHR LYON 2009.5.pdf

Measuring value for money in healthcare: concepts and tools Peter C Smith Centre for Health Economics, University of York - September 20, 2009 Available online at: http://www.health.org.uk/publications/research_reports/value_for_money.html PDF: http://www.health.org.uk/document.rm?id=1381

World Economic and Social Survey 2009

Promoting Development, Saving the Planet UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs United Nations New York, 2009 - E/2009/50/Rev.1 ST/ESA/319 Available online as PDF file [242p.] at: http://www.un.org/esa/analysis/wess/wess2009files/wess09/wess2009.pdf

Clinical Social Franchising

An Annual Compendium of Programs, 2009 Innovations in developing country health care delivery through social franchises The Global Health Group - University of California, San Francisco Available online as PDF file [96p.] at: http://www.globalhealthsciences.ucsf.edu/pdf/SocialFranchisingCompendium.pdf

Overcoming barriers: Human mobility and development

UNDP 2009Human - Development Report - HDRO 5 October 2009 Available online at: http://hdr.undp.org/en/reports/global/hdr2009/ Language editions: English | French | Spanish | Arabic | Chinese | Russian | Portuguese

The Poor Pay More - Poverty's High Cost to Health

George A. Kaplan, Ph.D. Thomas Francis September 2009 Available online as PDF file [39p.] at:

http://treefortremotecontrol.com/users/spotlight_on_poverty/RelatedFiles/e995cd7a-8416-4b89-983a-4f39fbf6de39.pdf

Natural and unnatural synergies: climate change policy and health equity

Sarah Catherine Walpole, Kumanan Rasanathan & Diarmid Campbell-Lendrum Bulletin of the World Health Organization - doi: 10.2471/BLT.09.067116 Volume 87, Number 10, October 2009, 733-804 Available online at: http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/87/10/09-067116/en/index.html

A framework for analysing migrant health policies in Europe

Philipa Mladovsky Health policy (Amsterdam, Netherlands). 2009 Jul 6 Available online at: http://bit.ly/8zMll PMID: 19586680 - URL - http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/19586680?dopt=Citation

The Economic Burden of Health Inequalities in the United States

Thomas A. LaVeist, William C. & Nancy F. Richardson, Darrell J. Gaskin, Patrick Richard. September 2009 Available online as PDF file [20p.] at: http://www.jointcenter.org/index.php/content/download/2626/17002/file/Burden_Of_Health_FINAL_PR EP.pdf

Tracking Diabetes: New York City's A1C Registry

Shadi Chamany, Lynn D. Silver, Mary T. Bassett, Cynthia R. Driver, Diana K. Berger, Charlotte E. Neuhaus, Namrata Kumar, and Thomas R. Frieden

New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation; the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation; the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention The Milbank quarterly, Volume 87, Number 3, September 2009 Available online at: http://www.milbank.org/quarterly/8703feat.html

Gaining Health

Analysis of policy development in European countries for tackling non communicable diseases By Anna Ritsatakis and Péter Makara Editors: Jill L. Farrington, Robert Geneau and Bosse Pettersson Regional Office for Europe of the World Health Organization 2009 Available online as PDF file [274p.] at: http://www.euro.who.int/Document/E92828.pdf

How can gender equity be addressed through health systems?

Sarah Payne, School for Policy Studies, University of Bristol, United Kingdom Joint Policy Brief #12, 2009 World Health Organization, on behalf of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies Available online as PDF file [45p.] at: http://www.euro.who.int/document/E92846.pdf Key messages (English, French, German and Russian): http://www.euro.who.int/HEN/policybriefs/20090924_1

Growing Pains in Latin America: An Economic Growth Framework as Applied to: Brazil, Costa Rica, Colombia, Mexico, and Peru Liliana Rojas-Suarez Center for Global Development - September 2009

Available online at: http://www.cgdev.org/content/publications/detail/1422848/ Website: http://www.cgdev.org/content/publications/detail/1422848/

Universal Health Insurance and Equity in Primary Care and Specialist Office Visits:

A Population-Based Study Richard H. Glazier, Mohammad M. Agha, Rahim Moineddin, Lyn M. Sibley. Annals of Family Medicine - <u>www.annfammed.org</u> - Vol. 7, No. 5 ★ September/October 2009 Available online at: http://www.annfammed.org/cgi/reprint/7/5/396

A healthier future for all Australians:

National Health and Hospitals Reform Commission Commonwealth of Australia - Final Report June 2009 Website: http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/nhhrc-report

6. European Commission: update

Public Health

- Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety Opinion on clarification of Annex II, entry 168 of the Cosmetic Directive: Choline salts and their esters e.g. Choline chloride (INN) Adopted by the SCCS during the 4th plenary meeting of 13 October 2009
- Influenza: Event

On 30 October 2009, the European Commission is organising in Brussels a conference on Influenza at the interface between humans and animals Reminder

- Threats to health: HIV/AIDS
 Commission announces a new strategy on "Combating HIV/AIDS in the European Union and Neighbouring Countries, 2009-2013"
- Influenza A(H1N1): Information and Advices Questions and answers on the review of the recommendations on the use of H1N1 vaccines
- Health information
 Analysing and reporting on health What's new section updated
- Health determinants: Socio-economic determinants of health health inequalities
 Communication from the Commission on Solidarity in health: Reducing health inequalities in the EU Document available
 now in 22 languages
- Health determinants: Socio-economic determinants of health health inequalities Solidarity in health. Commission announces plans to tackle health inequalities
- Risk assessment: Event 3rd Nano Safety for Success Dialogue: Building Trust in Nanotechnologies, Brussels, 3 november 2009 Programme updated
- Risk assessment: Popularizing risk assessment results Effects of Biocides Available in en, de, es, fr
- Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Emerging and Newly Identified Health Risks Opinion on Mercury Sphygmomanometers in Healthcare and the Feasibility of Alternatives - Adopted by the SCENIHR during the 4th plenary meeting of 23 September 2009 Section Medical Devices
- Health determinants: Mental health
 Thematic Conference Mental health in Youth and Education, Stockholm, 29-30September 2009 New presentations
 available
- International
 Open Consultation from DG Development: Issues Paper The EU role in Global Health
- Health determinants: Tobacco
 Proposal for a Council Recommendation on smoke-free environments of 30 June 2009 Now available in 20 languages
- Health determinants: Health and environment Take part in shaping the European Road Safety Action Programme 2011-2020 by responding to our public consultation
- Health information: Publication
 Healthy life years in the European Union: facts and figures 2005 Final version available

Influenza A(H1N1)

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New video: Influenza A (H1N1) video to illustrate discussions at the extraordinary health council to be held in Luxembourg

Influenza A(H1N1): Latest News/documents
 Council conclusions on Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 – a strategic approach

• Influenza: Event

On 30 October 2009, the European Commission is organising in Brussels a conference on Influenza at the interface between humans and animals

- Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety Request for a scientific opinion on Ethyl Lauroyl Arginate HCI (CAS 60372-77-2) (P95), submission III and on Citric acid and silver citrate, submission II Preservatives section
- Risk assessment: Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety
 Request for a scientific opinion on a new UV- filter ETH50, submission III UV Filters section
- Risk assessment: Event
 Report of the conference "Global Risk Assessment Dialogue" (Brussels, 13-14 Noveber 2008) now available
- Risk assessment: Event
 3rd Nano Safety for Success Dialogue: Building Trust in Nanotechnologies, Brussels, 03-04 November 2009 Programme
 updated
- Health determinants: Socio-economic determinants of health health inequalities European Health Forum Gastein, 30 September - 03 October 2009 Presentations now available
- Threats to health: Influenza Conference on Influenza at the interface between humans and animals , Brussels, 30 october 2009 Programme updated
- Health information: Musculoskeletal conditions
 Event: Launch of the Informal Interest Group on Rheumatic and Musculoskeletal Diseases followed by the official launch of
 the Working Wonders exhibition European Parliament, Brussels, 13 October 2009
- Health determinants: Nutrition
 EU Platform for Action on Diet, Physical Activity and Health Platform member organisations list updated
- Health programme Adoption of the awarding decisions for the Second Health Programme (2008-2013)
- Threats to health: Blood
 Meeting of the blood Regulatory Committee, 28 September 2009 Summary report
- Health information: Cancer
 Launch of the European Partnership for Action Against Cancer, Brussels, 29 September 2009 Pictures of the event available
- Health determinants: Tobacco
 9th meeting of the Regulatory Committee established under Article 10 of the Tobacco Products Directive 2001/37/EC
 Summary record updated
- Influenza A(H1N1)
 Personal message from Commissioner Vassiliou updated
- Health information: 2004 funded projects
 ENHIS2 Establishment Of Environmental Health Information System Supporting Policy Making_Final report
- Health programme Commission Decision on the awarding of grants for proposals for 2009 under the second Health Programme (2008-2013)
- Health determinants: Health and Environment Call for tender: L-Luxembourg: tender SANCO/2009/C4/04 for a contract of a 2-year-long pilot project in the field of air quality in schools and childcare settings

- Health information: Cancer
 Launch of the European Partnership for Action Against Cancer
- Health determinants: Mental health EU Thematic Conference "Promotion of Mental Health and Well-being of Children and Young People- Making it happen" 29th- 30th September, Stockholm Good practice database available
- Consumer Affairs EU acts to limit health risks from exposure to noise from personal music players Press Release - Memo - Speech

7. European Centre for Diseases Control: Eurosurveillance

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RESEARCH ARTICLES

Results of a vaccination campaign against human papillomavirus in the province of La Spezia, Liguria, Italy, March-December 2008

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Progress in the surveillance of respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) in Europe: 2001-2008 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19346

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Google Flu Trends includes 14 European countries http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19352

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Interim report on pandemic H1N1 influenza virus infections in South Africa, April to October 2009: Epidemiology and factors associated with fatal cases

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Pandemic H1N1 influenza in Brazil: Analysis of the first 34,506 notified cases of influenza-like illness with severe acute respiratory infection (SARI)

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Pandemic influenza in a southern hemisphere setting: the experience in Peru from May to September, 2009 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?Articleld=19371

Progression and impact of the first winter wave of the 2009 pandemic H1N1 influenza in New South Wales, Australia http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19365

Pandemic H1N1 influenza surveillance in Victoria, Australia, April – September, 2009 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19368

Early transmission characteristics of influenza A(H1N1)v in Australia: Victorian state, 16 May – 3 June 2009 http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19363

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8. WHO publications

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WHO Integrated Management for Emergency and Essential Surgical Care (IMEESC) Tool Kit CD-ROM This tool contains WHO recommendations for minimum standards in emergency, surgery, trauma, obstetrics and anaesthesia at first-referral level health-care facilities.

State of the World's Vaccines and Immunization. Third edition

This new edition of the State of the world's vaccines and immunization focuses on the major developments in vaccines and immunization since 2000.

Gaining Health

This book gives detailed insight into policy development in eight European countries over several decades to address the challenge of noncommunicable diseases, and draws out the main themes to assist policy-makers in formulating their own responses.

Capital Investment for Health

This volume presents 11 case studies from across Europe and these offer a variety of perspectives on current issues relating to health capital investment and ways of trying to meet present challenges as well as those of the future.

Night Noise Guidelines for Europe

This book reviews the health effects of night time noise exposure, examines dose-effects relations, and presents interim and ultimate guideline values of night noise exposure.

Medicinal Plants in Papua New Guinea

This book covers a small proportion of the immense knowledge on traditional medicine, the plant species from which they are derived, the diseases they can treat and the parts of the plants to be used.

Training Manual for Clinical Guidelines for Withdrawal Management and Treatment of Drug Dependence in Closed Settings

The training described in this manual is suitable for all people who work in a health or welfare capacity in closed settings and whose work involves people who use drugs.

Study of National Health Research Systems in Selected Countries of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region (A) This study presents the findings of a detailed and systematic situation analysis of the national health research systems in five countries of WHO's Eastern Mediterranean Region.

BOOKS IN FRENCH

Manuel de suivi et d'évaluation des ressources humaines pour la santé Ce guide offre aux gestionnaires de la santé, aux chercheurs et aux responsables politiques un outil de référence global, normalisé et convivial leur permettant de suivre et d'évaluer les ressources humaines pour la santé.

BOOKS IN SPANISH

Manual de seguimiento y evaluación de los recursos humanos para la salud Este manual brinda a los gestores de la salud, los investigadores y los formuladores de políticas referencias estandarizadas y de cómodo manejo para el seguimiento y la evaluación de los recursos humanos para la salud.