We are pleased to send out this December issue of our newsletter. Due to personnel restraints we have not been able to send you our monthly newsletter from July to November. As we did not want to deprive you of the interesting information we have received in that period, we have included most information in this newsletter. This makes for an extra long newsletter for the holiday season. We wish you all a merry Christmas and look forward to a productive 2007.

Dineke Zeegers Paget
EUPHA manager

In this newsletter:

1. EUPHA Conference Montreux: looking back
2. EUPHA Conference Helsinki: an update
3. Table of contents EJPH 16-6
4. OUP book club information
5. Upcoming conferences/seminars
6. Interesting publications

1. EUPHA conference Montreux: looking back

The 14th annual EUPHA conference was organised from 16 to 18 November in Montreux, Switzerland. The main theme of the conference was “Politics, policies and/or the public’s health”. More than 1300 public health experts from over 60 countries participated in this conference. For the Montreux conference, we received a total of 604 single abstracts and 49 workshop proposals from 50 countries. All abstracts and workshops were peer-reviewed by our International Scientific Committee, lead this year by Prof. Charlotte Braun-Fahrlander. The International Scientific Committee consisted of 38 members from 29 European countries. The members of the scientific committee have used a rating scale ranging from 1 to 5 for the final judgement. The overall average of all judges and all (single) abstracts was 3.20. The average judgement per abstract varied from 4.250 (highest score) to 1.778 (lowest score). The overall average of all judges for the workshops was 3.320. The average judgement per workshop varied from 4.600 (highest score) to 1.400 (lowest score). EUPHA would like to thank the members of the International Scientific Committee for their expertise and commitment to ensure the scientific quality of each EUPHA conference.

The EUPHA conference in Montreux introduced a number of innovations to our conferences:

- Due to the large interest in participation in the Montreux conference, 11 parallel sessions took place at six slots in the programme, totalling the number of oral sessions to a maximum of 66.
- More than 250 posters were presented at the Montreux conference.
- A new record in pre-conference activities was reached. Furthermore, a number of side-conference activities were also organised.
- Following the positive experience of the Graz conference, the Montreux conference also organised the oral and poster presentations in tracks, making it easier to follow a specific subject throughout the conference.
A conference proceedings report in which the major outcomes are made available to a wider audience is to be published the beginning of 2007.

The best poster prize was voted by the participants and was awarded to Dr Gabriele Messina and his team of the University of Siena, Department of Public Health, Laboratory of Health Services Research, Siena, Italy for his poster: “Measure your health!”.

The best abstract prize went to Hélène Chevrou-Séverac and her colleagues of the Institute of Health Economics and Management, University of Lausanne, Switzerland for their abstract: “Out-of-pocket payments and financial burden of elderly with depressive symptoms across Europe”. Both prizes consist of a waiver of conference fees for the year after.

2. EUPHA conference Helsinki: an update

The 2007 EUPHA conference will be 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. A first announcement was distributed at the 2006 conference and is available online via www.eupha.org.

Pre conference activities already planned:
- Pre conference workshop: population interventions in health promotion (Wednesday 10 October 2007)
- Training seminar on health services research (Wednesday 10 October 2007)

Important dates and deadlines:
- May 1 2007 Deadline for the submission of abstracts
- Mid-June 2007 Notification of acceptance
- May 1 2007 Beginning of the conference registration
- 30 August 2007 Deadline for early registration (reduced registration fees)

3. Table of contents EJPH 16-6

A new issue of The European Journal of Public Health is available online:
December 2006; Vol. 16, No. 6
The below Table of Contents is available online at:
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/content/vol16/issue6/index.dtl

---

Editorial

René Dubos and Jared Diamond dream of Dutch polders
Johan P. Mackenbach
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/full/16/6/575

Commentary

The principle of precaution-based prevention: a Popperian paradox?
G. Rezza
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/full/16/6/576

Spotlight

Global environmental change
Johan P. Mackenbach
Viewpoints

Population health as the ‘bottom line’ of sustainability: a contemporary challenge for public health researchers
Anthony J. McMichael
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/full/16/6/579

Shipwrecks and sudden deaths
Jørn Olsen
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/full/16/6/581

Heat-related mortality

August 2003 Heat Wave in France: Risk Factors for Death of Elderly People Living at Home
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/583

Heatwaves and public health in Europe
R Sari Kovats and L Ebi Kristie
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/592

A critical comment on heat wave response plans
Julio Díaz, Cristina Linares, and Aurelio Tobías
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/full/16/6/600

Infectious diseases

AIDS mortality before and after the introduction of highly active antiretroviral therapy: does it vary with socioeconomic group in a country with a National Health System?
Carme Borrell, Maica Rodríguez-Sanz, M. Isabel Pasarín, M. Teresa Brugal, Patricia García-de-Olalla, Marc Mari-Dell'Olmo, and Joan Caylà
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/601

Fighting tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS in Northeast Europe: sustainable collaboration or political rhetoric?
Lars Rowe and Bernd Rechel
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/609

Health inequalities

When are health inequalities a political problem?
Signild Vallgårda
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/615

Influence of parental education, childhood adversities, and current living conditions on daily smoking in early adulthood
Laura Kestilä, Seppo Koskinen, Tuija Martelin, Ossi Rahkonen, Tiina Pensola, Sami Pirkola, Kristiina Patja, and Arpo Aromaa
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/617

Socio-economic position and adolescents’ health in Italy: the role of the quality of social relations
Alessio Zambon, Patrizia Lemma, Alberto Borraccino, Paola Dalmasso, and Franco Cavallo
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/627
Neighbourhood income and anxiety: a study based on random samples of the Swedish population
Jonas Lofors, Vania Ramírez-León, and Kristina Sundquist
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/633

Associations between relative income and mortality in Norway: a register-based study
Jon Ivar Elstad, Espen Dahl, and Dag Hofoss
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/640

Overweight and obesity
Parents often do not recognize overweight in their child, regardless of their socio-demographic background
Wilma Jansen and Johannes Brug
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/645

Adolescent obesity in Lebanese private schools
Hilda Chakar and Pascale R Salameh
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/648

Health Services Research
Made in the USA: the import of American Consumer Assessment of Health Plan Surveys (CAHPS®) into the Dutch social insurance system
Diana M. J. Delnoij, Guus ten Asbroek, Onyebuchi A. Arah, Johan S. de Koning, Piet Stam, Aldien Poll, Barbara Vriens, Paul Schmidt, and Niek S. Klazinga
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/652

Annamari Nikkilä, Håkan Rydhström, and Bengt Källén
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/660

Joachim Cohen, Isabelle Marcoux, Johan Bilsen, Patrick Deboosere, Gerrit van der Wal, and Luc Deliens
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/663

Various
Disentangling gender and age effects on risky single occasion drinking during adolescence
Emmanuel Kuntsche, Gerhard Gmel, Matthias Wicki, Jürgen Rehm, and Esther Grichting
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/670

Respiratory symptoms and lung function in Bangkok school children
Uma Langkulsen, Wanida Jinsart, Kanae Karita, and Eiji Yano
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/16/6/676

Letter to Editor
World Championship 2006 in Germany: sponsorship through Coca Cola, McDonald's, Anheuser-Busch
Alexander Krämer
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/full/16/6/682

European Public Health Association
PROMOTING THE PUBLIC’S HEALTH—Reorienting health policies, linking health promotion and health care. Conclusions drawn from the 2005 EUPHA conference in Graz
Horst Noack
http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/cgi/content/full/16/6/683

4. OUP book club information

EUPHA members have the wonderful opportunity to order books at a reduced rate at the EUPHA book club pages of our publisher: Oxford University Press
(http://www.oup.co.uk/promotions/medicine/eupha/).
I would like to draw your attention to some new titles which have been added to the EUPHA book club pages):
- Oxford Handbook of Public Health Practice, 2nd Edition
- Decision Modeling for Health Economic Evaluation
- Public Health Evidence
- The Economics of Infectious Diseases
- A Dictionary of Public Health
- Critical Appraisal for Epidemiological Studies and Clinical Trials, 3rd Edition
- Ethnicity, Race, and Health in Multicultural Societies
- An Introduction to Health Planning For Developing Health Systems, 3rd Edition

5. Upcoming conferences/seminars

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Place</th>
<th>Deadline abstracts</th>
<th>More information</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Colloque International: Promotion de la Santé et Education pour la Santé: Etat des connaissances et besoins de recherche</td>
<td>8-9 February 2007</td>
<td>Luxembourg</td>
<td></td>
<td>Dr Laurence Fond-Harmant, <a href="mailto:laurence.fond-harmant@crp-sante.healthnet.lu">laurence.fond-harmant@crp-sante.healthnet.lu</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>European Training Consortium Summer Course: Reducing health inequalities: evidence for community action</td>
<td>9-20 July 2007</td>
<td>Wageningen, the Netherlands</td>
<td>-</td>
<td><a href="http://www.etc-summerschool.eu">www.etc-summerschool.eu</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24th International Conference of ISQUA</td>
<td>30 September to 3 October 2007</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
6. Interesting publications

This section from the EUPHA newsletter is part of an effort to disseminate public health related information to experts in Europe and beyond. Materials provided in the list below are provided “as is”. The findings and interpretations in the materials are those of the authors and not necessarily of EUPHA or its members.

Ben Ramalingam
Overseas Development Institute (ODI), London. July 2006
Available online as PDF file [91p.] at:
Website: http://www.odi.org.uk/Rapid/Publications/Tools_KM.html

**The Millennium Development Goals Report 2006**
Available online as PDF file [32p] at:

**Cultural Competency in Health: a guide for policy, partnerships and participation**
National Health and Medical Research Council, Australia - published 2006
Download publication: » Download: Cultural Competency in health: A guide for policy, partnerships and participation (PDF, 577kb)

**Smoking and inequalities**
Michael Marmot, International Institute for Society and Health, University College London, London, UK
The Lancet, 14 July 2006 - DOI:10.1016/S0140-6736(06)68976-9
Website: http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140673606689769/fulltext?iseop=true

**Social inequalities in male mortality, and in male mortality from smoking: indirect estimation from national death rates in England and Wales, Poland, and North America**
Prabhat Jha. Centre for Global Health Research, St Michael's Hospital, Public Health Sciences, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada
Richard Peto, Jillian Boreham, Clinical Trial Service Unit and Epidemiological Studies Unit, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK
Witold Zatonski, The Maria Sklodowska-Curie Memorial Cancer Center and Institute of Oncology, Warsaw, Poland
Martin J Jarvis, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, University College London, London, UK
Alan D Lopez, School of Population Health, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia
Website: http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140673606689757/fulltext?isEOP=true

**Glossary of the World Trade Organisation and public health: part 1**
Ronald Labonte, Globalization and Health Equity, Institute of Population Health, University of Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
Matthew Sanger, Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health 2006;60:655-661; doi:10.1136/jech.2005.037895
Website: http://jech.bmjournals.com/cgi/content/extract/60/8/655?etoc

**Examining the Health Disparities Research Plan of the National Institutes of Health: Unfinished Business**
Board on Health Sciences Policy (HSP), 2006
US National Academies of Sciences
Faith Mitchell, Ph.D. - Senior Program Officer
The Institute of Medicine
500 Fifth St., NW Washington, D.C. 20001 202-334-3352

Quest for the Cure
Erika Check

Health Disparities: A Selected Bibliography
From the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion
January 2000–January 2005
Health Disparities Bibliography (PDF–595K)
Website: http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/publications/healthdisparities/

The Social Sciences and Humanities in Health Research
A Canadian Snapshot of Fields of Study and Innovative Approaches to Understanding and Addressing Health Issues
Canadian Institutes for Health Research and Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council
Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), 2005
Available online as PDF file [146p.] at: http://www.ahprc.dal.ca/English%20Final.pdf

Medical research: assessing the benefits to society
A report by the UK Evaluation Forum, supported by the Academy of Medical Sciences, Medical Research Council and Wellcome Trust.
May 2006
Available online as PDF file [52p.] at: http://www.acmedsci.ac.uk/images/project/Medicalr.pdf

Preventing Medication Errors: Quality Chasm Series
Editors, Philip Aspden, Julie Wolcott, J. Lyle Bootman, Linda R. Cronenwett.
Board on Health Care Services (HCS) ; Institute of Medicine (IOM) - July 20, 2006
Available online at: http://www.nap.edu/catalog/11623.html

What is known about the effectiveness of economic instruments to reduce consumption of foods high in saturated fats and other energy-dense foods for preventing and treating obesity?
Health Evidence Network (HEN) - WHO Regional Office for Europe, July 2006

Advance Market Commitments for Vaccines Against Neglected Diseases: Estimating Costs and Effectiveness
Ernst R. Berndt, MIT Sloan School of Management and National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER)
Rachel Glennerster, MIT Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab
Michael R. Kremer, Harvard University, Brookings Institution, Center for Global Development, and (NBER)
Jean Lee, Harvard University
Ruth Levine, Center for Global Development
Georg Weizsäcker, London School of Economics
Heidi Williams, Harvard University

The state’s role in promoting population health:
Public health concerns in Canada, USA, UK, and Sweden
Dennis Raphael, School of Health Policy and Management, Atkinson Faculty of Liberal and Professional Studies, York University, Toronto, Canada.
Public Health, Ethics, and Equity
Edited by Sudhir Anand, Fabienne Peter and Amartya Sen
Publisher’s website: http://www.oup.co.uk/isbn/0-19-927636-6

International perspectives on early child development
Analytic and strategic review paper
Prepared for the Knowledge Network on for Early Child Development of the World Health Organisation’s Commission on Social Determinants of Health
December 2005
Available online as PDF file [45p.] at: http://www.who.int/social_determinants/resources/ecd.pdf

State of the Future 2006
Jerome C. Glenn and Theodore J. Gordon
American Council for the United Nations University, 2006
The Millennium Project
Website: http://www.acunu.org/millennium/sof2006.html

Addressing the health workforce crisis: towards a common approach
Mario R Dal Poz, Editor-in-Chief, Human Resources for Health online journal, Department of Human Resources for Health, World Health Organization
Estelle E Quain, Office of HIV/AIDS, United States Agency for International Development, Washington, DC, USA
Mary O’Neil, Management Sciences for Health, Boston, Massachusetts, USA
Jim McCaffery, Capacity Project, Intrahealth, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, USA
Gijs Elzinga, National Institute for Public Health and the Environment, Bilthoven, The Netherlands
Tim Martinneau, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, Liverpool, UK
Available online at: http://www.human-resources-health.com/content/4/1/21

A pan-European comparison regarding patient access to cancer drugs
Nils Wilking, Bengt Jönsson
Karolinska Institutet in collaboration with Stockholm School of Economics Stockholm, Sweden 2005
Available online as PDF file [77p.] at: http://ki.se/content/1/c4/33/52/Cancer_Report.pdf

Beyond Evidence: The Moral Case for International Mental Health
Vikram Patel, Benedetto Saraceno, and Arthur Kleinman
American Journal of Psychiatry 2006;163 1312-1315
http://ajp.psychiatryonline.org/cgi/content/full/163/8/1312?etoc

UK - THE DEPRESSION REPORT - A New Deal for Depression and Anxiety Disorders
Mental Health Policy Group of the Centre for Economic Performance (CEP)
The London School of Economics and Political Science - LSE. June 2006
Available in PDF format at: http://cep.lse.ac.uk/textonly/research/mentalhealth/DEPRESSION_REPORT_LAYARD2.pdf

Priority Setting for Health Research:
Toward a management process for low and middle income countries
Think tank consultation by COHRED and health research managers from Brazil, South Africa, The Netherlands, The Philippines, the private sector, the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), the Global Forum for Health Research and COHRED.
The state of international collaboration for health systems research: what do publications tell?  
Miguel A Gonzalez-Block, Executive Director, Center for Health Systems Research, National Institute of Public Health, Cuernavaca, Mexico, 23 August 2006  
Available online as PDF file [24p.] at: http://www.health-policy-systems.com/content/pdf/1478-4505-4-7.pdf

Access to health care in the EU Member States  
Markus Wörz, Thomas Foubister and Reinhard Busse  
Euro Observer is the health policy bulletin of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies – August 2006  
Available online at: http://www.euro.who.int/Document/Obs/EuroObserver8_2.pdf  
Universal access is usually taken to be a fundamental feature of the health care systems of

Mapping Health ServicesAccess: National and Cross-Border Issues  
(HealthACCESS), funded by European Commission - Grant number 2003103(790873).  

Barriers and facilitators to implementing shared decision-making in clinical practice:  
a systematic review of health professionals' perceptions  
Karine Gravel1, France Légaré1,2§, Ian D. Graham3,  
1Research Centre of the Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de Québec, Québec, Canada  
2Department of Family Medicine, Université Laval, Québec, Canada  
3Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada  

Global Public Health  
Special Issue: Humanitarian Crises: The Emergency Rooms of Global Health  
Publisher: Taylor & Francis Volume 1, Number 3 / October 2006  
Available online at: URL: http://taylorandfrancis.metapress.com/link.asp?id=t58310487533

The Value of Medical Spending in the United States, 1960–2000  
David M. Cutler, , Allison B. Rosen, and Sandeep Vijan  
ABSTRACT: http://tinyurl.com/rt9us

Good Research Practice in the National Public Health Institute  
National Public Health Institute, Helsinki Finland, 2006  
Editors: Arpo Aromaa, Pentti Huovinen, Marja Leena Kantanen, Jaakko Penttinen, Matti Sarjakoski, Jari Suutari, Ritva Syrjänä, Raili Venäläinen and Jarmo Virtamo  

Reaching the Poor with Health Services  
World Bank 2006  
Website: http://tinyurl.com/zrjgb  
Download: Complete Report (PDF 1.5MB)
Measuring commitment to health
Global Health Indicators Working Group Consultation - Final Report  August 2006
Loren Becker, Jessica Wolf & Ruth Levine Center for Global Development
Available online as PDF file [56p.] at:

Five Years After 9/11
Public Health Preparedness: An Opportunity and a Challenge
Nicole Lurie, physician, public health researcher, and codirector of the RAND Center for Domestic and International Health Security.
Available online at: http://www.rand.org/publications/randreview/issues/summer2006/pubhealth.html

The development of the evidence base about the social determinants of health
Mike Kelly, National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE), UK
Josiane Bonnefoy, Instituto de Epidemiología y Políticas de Salud Pública, Universidad del Desarrollo (Chile)
Antony Morgan, National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE), UK
Francisca Florenzano, Instituto de Epidemiología y Políticas de Salud Pública, Universidad del Desarrollo (Chile).
Paper by the Measurement and Evidence Knowledge Network to articulate a series of methodological, theoretical principles
that will help to inform the development of evidence, May 2006
Prepared for the Measurement and Evidence Knowledge Network of the World Health Organisation's Commission on Social Determinants of Health
Available online as PDF file [29p.] at:
http://www.who.int/social_determinants/resources/mekn_paper.pdf

Evaluating Health Research Capacity Building: An Evidence-Based Tool
Imelda Bates*, AlexYaw Osei Akoto, Daniel Ansong, Patrick Karikari, George Bedu-Addo, Julia Critchley, Tsiri Agbenyega, Anthony Nsiah-Asare
Plos medicine Volume 3 | Issue 8 | AUGUST 2006
Available online at: http://medicine.plosjournals.org/perlserv/?request=get-document&doi=10.1371/journal.pmed.0030299

"Health Courts" and Accountability for Patient Safety
Michelle M. Mello, David M. Studdert, Allen B. Kachalia, and Troyen A. Brennan
Harvard School of Public Health; Harvard Medical School; Aetna
Milbank Quarterly - Volume 84, Number 3, September 2006
Available online at: http://www.milbank.org/quarterly/8403feat.html

Politics and health outcomes
Vicente Navarro, Carles Muntaner, Carme Borrell , Joan Benach, Águeda Quiroga, Maica Rodríguez-Sanz, Núria Vergés, M Isabel Pasarín
The Lancet Early Online Publication DOI:10.1016/S0140-6736(06)69341-0 , 14 September 2006
Website: http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140673606693410/fulltext?isEOP=true
Free subscription required

Working The System: Creating a State of Wellbeing
Andrew Harris and Nicole Hastings - Scottish Council Foundation - September 2006
See Also Editorial in Sunday Herald -"Health not economy should be Scotland's top priority"
http://www.theherald.co.uk/politics/689797.html
The Scottish Council Foundation has conducted a number of inquiries into health and wellbeing issues over the last nine years. A consistent theme throughout those inquiries has been the need to change the way we think about health and wellbeing. This report has set out to build on that approach
Summary at: http://www.scottishcouncilfoundation.org/docs/working_the_system_summary_report.pdf

Prisons: mental health institutions of the 21st century?
Paul White and Harvey Whiteford.
International Mobility of Health Professionals

Brain Drain or Brain Exchange?

Stephen Bach, Reader in Employment Relations and Management, Department of Management, King’s College, University of London, UK.
UNU-WIDER Research Paper No. 2006/82 - August 2006

The Intersection of Biotechnology and Pharmacogenomics: Health Policy Implications

Kathryn A. Phillips, professor of health economics and health services research at the School of Pharmacy, Institute for Health Policy Studies, and Comprehensive Cancer Center at the University of California, San Francisco
Available online at: http://content.healthaffairs.org/cgi/content/full/25/5/1271

The Health Care Workforce in Europe - Learning from experience

Editors:
Bernd Rechel, Research Fellow, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, United Kingdom.
Carl-Arly Dubois, Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Nursing Sciences, University of Montreal, Canada.
Martin McKee, Professor of European Public Health, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, and Research Director, European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, London, United Kingdom
The European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, 2006

Protecting Persons Affected by Natural Disasters

Operational Guidelines on Human Rights and Natural Disasters
Inter-Agency Standing Committee, September 19, 2006

Health in All Policies: Prospects and potentials
European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies - 2006

A Global health agenda
Engaging for Health
Eleventh General Programme of Work 2006-2015
Available online as PDF file [56p.] at: http://www.who.int/gpw/GPW_En.pdf
Download
English [pdf 3.76Mb]
Executive summary [pdf 29kb]
WHO's plan for monitoring the GPW [pdf 22kb]

The impact of context on evidence utilization:
A framework for expert groups developing health policy recommendations
Mark J. Dobrow, Vivek Goel, Louise Lemieux-Charles, Department of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation, University of Toronto, Canada
Nick A. Black, Department of Public Health and Policy, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, UK
Social Science & Medicine - Volume 63, Issue 7 , October 2006, Pages 1811-1824
Available online at: http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/B6VBF-4K4WN1J-5/2/ab7dc33c6ba22dde4a4c4d8db861af08

Newborn, child, and maternal survival
The Lancet, September 28, 2006
Collection of articles published by *The Lancet* since January 2003 relating to newborn, child, and maternal survival.

**Learning from the past? Choice in health care**
Available online as PDF file [52p.] at: [http://www.euro.who.int/Document/Obs/Eurohealth12_2.pdf](http://www.euro.who.int/Document/Obs/Eurohealth12_2.pdf)

**Evidence-based planning tools have much to offer the goal of equitable health development**
**Reduction of Inequalities in Health: Assessing Evidence-Based Tools**
Peter Tugwell, Annette O’Connor, Neil Anderson, Sharmila Mhatre, Elizabeth Kristjanssion, Mary Jane Jacobsen, Vivian Robinson, Jan Hatcher-Roberts, Beverley Shea, Daniel Francis, Jil Beardmore, George A. Wells, and Joe Losos
The complete article is available as a provisional PDF: [http://www.equityhealthj.com/content/pdf/1475-9276-5-11.pdf](http://www.equityhealthj.com/content/pdf/1475-9276-5-11.pdf)
The fully formatted PDF and HTML versions are in production.

**Navigating Health: The Role of Health Literacy**
Ilona Kickbusch, Suzanne Wait, Daniela Maag
Alliance for Health and the Future, International Longevity Centre-UK, 2006

**A Guide to Reviewing Published Evidence for Use in Health Impact Assessment**
London Health Observatory (LHO) – September 2006
Available online as PDF file at: [http://www.lho.org.uk/Download/Public/10846/1/Reviewing%20Evidence-Final%20v6.4_230806.pdf](http://www.lho.org.uk/Download/Public/10846/1/Reviewing%20Evidence-Final%20v6.4_230806.pdf)

**Foresight. Infectious Diseases: preparing for the future. Risk Analysis.**
Prof Joyce Tait CBE, FRSE – ESRC Innogen Centre; Laura Meagher – Technology Development Group
Catherine Lyall – ESRC Innogen Centre; Jonathan Suk – ESRC Innogen Centre
Office of Science and Innovation, London, 2006
Available online as PDF file [41p.] at:

**Infectious Diseases: Preparing for the Future**
D. A. King, 1 C. Peckham, 2 J. K. Waage, 3 J. Brownlie, 4 M. E. J. Woolhouse 5*
Science - September 2006: Vol. 313. no. 5792, pp. 1392 - 1393
[http://www.sciencemag.org/cgi/content/full/313/5792/1392](http://www.sciencemag.org/cgi/content/full/313/5792/1392)

**Health Human Resources: Policy Initiatives for Physicians, Nurses and Pharmacists**
Cathy Fooks, Lisa Maslove
Canadian Policy Research Networks Inc.

**Strategies for reducing maternal mortality: getting on with what works**
Oona MR Campbell, Department of Epidemiology and Population Health, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, London
Wendy J Graham, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen, UK
The Lancet Maternal Survival Series steering group
The Lancet, Volume 368, Number 9543, 7 October 2006
Available online at: [http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140673606693811/fulltext](http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140673606693811/fulltext)
Free subscription required
WHO Multi-country Study on Women’s Health and Domestic Violence against Women

Initial results on prevalence, health outcomes and women’s responses
Summary in English, Spanish and French:

Determining Skill Mix: Practical Guidelines for Managers and Health Professionals
James Buchan, Fiona O'May, Queen Margaret University College, Edinburgh, United Kingdom
Available online as PDF file [10p.] at: http://www.who.int/hrh/en/HRDJ_4_2_07.pdf

Task Shifting for a Strategic Skill Mix
Julia Bluestone, JHPIEGO, June 2006 - The Capacity Project IntraHealth International, Chapel Hill, NC USA
Available online as PDF file at: http://www.capacityproject.org/images/stories/files/techbrief_5_final.pdf

Human Resources Information System Strengthening
Pamela McQuide, Workforce Planning Advisor, Dykki Settle, Information Systems Advisor, Shannon Turlington, Information Systems Specialist
The Capacity Project IntraHealth International, Chapel Hill, NC USA May 2006

The role of health impact assessment
Kelley Lee, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine
Karen Lock, ECOHOST, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
Alan Ingram, Department of Geography, University College London
UK Global Health Programme 2006, Published by The Nuffield Trust

Health care outside hospital Accessing generalist and specialist care in eight countries
Stefanie Ettelt, Ellen Nolte, Nicholas Mays, Sarah Thomson, Martin McKee, and the International Healthcare Comparisons Network
World Health Organization 2006, on behalf of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies

Ethical issues in epidemiologic research and public health practice
Steven S Coughlin
Epidemiology and Applied Research Branch, Division of Cancer Prevention and Control, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA USA
Available online as PDF file at: http://www.ete-online.com/content/3/1/16

Priority setting of health interventions: The need for multi-criteria decision analysis
Rob Baltussen and Louis Niessen
Institute for Medical Technology Assessment (iMTA), ErasmusMC Rotterdam, Rotterdam, The Netherlands
Department of Public Health, University Medical Centre Nijmegen, Nijmegen, The Netherlands
Department of Health Policy and Management, ErasmusMC, Rotterdam, The Netherlands
Available online at: http://www.resource-allocation.com/content/4/1/14

A framework to measure the impact of investments in health research
GECD Blue Sky II Forum, September 25, 2006
Alan Bernstein, Vern Hicks, Peggy Borbey, Terry Campbell

Screening for disease – considerations for policy
Walter Holland, Emeritus Professor of Public Health at LSE Health & Social Care, The London School of Economics and Political Science.
Our health, our care, our say: Making it happen
Wednesday 18 October 2006 UK Department of Health
The report can be accessed at http://www.dh.gov.uk/assetRoot/04/14/00/65/04140065.pdf

Public-Private Partnerships and Collaboration in the Health Sector:
An Overview with Case Studies from Recent European Experience
Irina A. Nikolic, Europe and Central Asia Human Development, the World Bank, Washington, DC, USA
Harald Maikisch, Deputy CEO, Vorarlberg Hospital Management Company, Vorarlberg, Austria
Available online as PDF file [42p.] at: http://tinyurl.com/ymftxt

Investing in health: benchmarking health systems
Ellen Nolte, Suzanne Wait, Martin McKee
The Nuffield Trust - October 2006

A system for rating the stability and strength of medical evidence
Jonathan R Treadwell, Stephen J Tregear, James T Reston and Charles M Turkelson
ECRI Evidence-Based Practice Center and Health Technology Assessment Group
BMC Medical Research Methodology 2006, 6:52 – 19 October 2006
Abstract Available online at: http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2288/6/52
Full text PDF [20p.] at: http://www.biomedcentral.com/content/pdf/1471-2288-6-52.pdf

Describing the impact of health research: a Research Impact Framework
Shyama Kuruvilla, Nicholas Mays, Andrew Pleasant and Gill Walt
BMC Health Services Research 2006, 6:134 - 18 October 2006
Provisional PDF. [56p.] at: http://www.biomedcentral.com/content/pdf/1472-6963-6-134.pdf

The Future of Drug Safety: Promoting and Protecting the Health of the Public
US Drug Safety System Board on Population Health and Public Health Practice
The National Academies Press, September, 2006
Available online at: http://www.nap.edu/catalog/11750.html

Satisfied Workers, Retained Workers:
Effects of Work and Work Environment on Homecare Workers’ Job Satisfaction, Stress, Physical Health, and Retention
Canadian Health Services Research Foundation, 2005

On The Front Lines Of Care:
Primary Care Doctors’ Office Systems, Experiences, And Views In Seven Countries
Country variations in primary care practices indicate opportunities to learn to improve outcomes and efficiency.
Cathy Schoen, Robin Osborn, Phuong Trang Huynh, Michelle Doty, Jordon Peugh, and Kinga Zapert
Commonwealth Fund 2006 International Health Policy Survey published today as a Health Affairs Web exclusive
November 2, 2006
Available online at: http://content.healthaffairs.org/cgi/content/full/hlthaff.25.w555/DC1

Use of research results in policy decision-making, formulation, and implementation:
a review of the literature
Celia Almeida, Escola Nacional de Saúde Pública Sergio Arouca, Fundação Oswaldo Cruz, Rio de Janeiro, Brasil.
Ernesto Báscolo, Instituto de la Salud Juan Lazarte, Rosario, Argentina.
Cad. Saúde Pública, Rio de Janeiro, 22 Sup:S7-S33, 2006
Global Forum Update on Research for Health Volume 3
Combating disease and promoting health: setting the agenda for health research
Global Forum for Health Research's annual meeting, Forum 10 - Cairo, Egypt, 29 October - 2 November, 2006
Website: http://www.globalforumhealth.org/Site/000__Home.php

Conducting a critical interpretive synthesis of the literature on access to healthcare by vulnerable groups
Mary Dixon-Woods1, Debbie Cavers2, Shona Agarwal3, Ellen Annandale4, Antony Arthur5, Janet Harvey6, Ron Hsu1, Savita Katbamna7, Richard Olsen7, Lucy Smith1, Richard Riley1 and Alex J Sutton1
1 Department of Health Sciences, University of Leicester, UK
2 Division of Oncology/General Practice, University of Edinburgh, UK
3 Department of Health Sciences, University of Leicester, UK
4 Department of Sociology, University of Leicester, UK
5 School of Nursing, University of Nottingham, Queens Medical Centre, UK
6 Centre for Research in Social Policy, Loughborough University, UK
7 Nuffield Research Unit, Department of Health Sciences, University of Leicester, UK
Available online at: http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2288/6/35

What factors influence national health research agendas in low and middle income countries? Perspectives of health research stakeholders from six countries and 11 international agencies
Nadia Ali, Cayce Hill, Andrew Kennedy, Carel IJsselmuiden
COHRED Record Paper 5 - Council on Health Research for Development /COHRED, 2006

Chronic Disease: An Economic Perspective
Marc Suhrcke, WHO Regional Office for Europe (Venice, Italy)
Rachel A. Nugent, director of health and economics at the Population Reference Bureau.
David Stuckler, working with OxHA members and the WHO on issues pertaining to the global governance of chronic diseases.
Lorenzo Rocco, assistant professor of economics with the University of Padova in Italy.
London: Oxford Health Alliance, 2006

Public–private partnerships for hospitals
Martin McKee, European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
Nigel Edwards, Department of Public Health and Policy, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, London, England.
Rifat Atun Imperial College London, South Kensington Campus, London, England.
Bulletin of the World Health Organization - November 2006, 84 (11)
Available online as PDF file [7p.] at: http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/84/11/06-030015.pdf

The first Global Patient Safety Challenge
The five elements of the Global Patient Safety Challenge:

Global health inequalities: an international comparison
AIDS epidemic update – December 2006
Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) and World Health Organization (WHO) 2006
UNAIDS/06.29E (English original, December 2006)

Available online as PDF file [94p.] at:

HIV/AIDS and work: global estimates, impact on children and youth, and response.
International Labour Organization 2006
Available online as PDF file [149p.] at: