

Economic theories and methods in sickness absence research

Pre-conference meeting arranged by the Section of Social Security and Health
at the EUPHA-conference in Helsinki, October 10, 2007

PROGRAM

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- 09.00 ■ **Welcome and presentation**
Professor, PhD Kristina Alexanderson, president of the EUPHA-section of Social Security and Health, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm
- 09.15 ■ **Introducing the theme and program**
PhD, MD Søren Brage, University of Oslo, and
Professor, PhD, MD Peter Donceel, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
- 09.30 ■ **Economic models in sickness absence and disability studies**
Professor, PhD Philip de Jong, University of Amsterdam and APE
- 10.30 **Coffee break**
- 11.00 ■ **The relationship between unemployment and sickness absence**
Ass Prof, PhD Astrid Grasdahl, University of Bergen
- 11.45 ■ **Group discussions**
Economic models underlying medical and sociological studies
- 12.45 **Lunch**
- 13.45 ■ **Report from groups**
- 14:15 ■ **Cost analysis of sickness absence**
PhD Anders Norlund, The Swedish Council on Technology Assessment in Health Care
- 14:55 ■ **Economic incentives to work – the pathways to work example**
MD Fiona Ford, University of Central Lancashire, UK
- 15:25 ■ **Research on economic incentives for disability pension, an Norwegian example**
PhD Arnstein Mykletun, University of Bergen & Norwegian Institute of Public Health
- 15.45 **Coffee break**
- 16.10 ■ **Summary of the day, reflections.**
Discussion on implications for our future research
Ass Prof, PhD Astrid Grasdahl, University of Bergen
- 16.50 ■ **Planning of next pre-conference and other practical issues**
Kristina Alexanderson
- 17.20 **Prepare for dinner**
- 19.00 ■ **Pre-conference dinner, for all participants**
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