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1. EUPHA update

Conference on Climate Change, Paris, 30 November – 11 December 2015

EUPHA supported a petition of the French Public Health Association (SFSP) to the French government to explicitly include health in the final negotiations and commitments of the Conference on Climate Change (COP21) which will be held in Paris from 30 November to 11 December 2015. COP21 will be the largest ever diplomatic event hosted by France, bringing together around 40 000 politicians, activists, and experts. Political leaders from around the world must finalise a new, universal, legally binding, international agreement that will keep global warming below 2°C. The agreement will come into force in 2020. Health should be a core part of the discussions. The French government will play a crucial part in framing and facilitating negotiations. The signatories are concerned that the COP21 does not take health measures that are necessary to address climate-related events and consequences sufficiently into account. Health professionals should take an active role in preparing society for these challenges as well as helping to tackle the consequences. The official COP21 agenda must therefore increase the focus on health challenges and increase the involvement of health professionals.

The petition of the SFSP can be downloaded here. Health colleagues in other countries are encouraged to lobby with their governments to include health consequences in their preparations for the Summit later this year.

See also the work of The Lancet Commissions on climate change in section 8. Interesting Publications of this Newsletter.

6th EUPHA Conference on Migrant and Ethnic Minority Health - Equity: the Policy Practice Gap in Health

EUPHA’s Section on Migrant and ethnic minority health and The Norwegian Center for Minority Health Research (NAKMI) are organising the 6th EUPHA Conference on Migrant and Ethnic Minority Health from 23 - 25 June 2016 in Oslo, Norway.

The theme of the conference is ‘Equity: the Policy Practice Gap in Health’.

Registration opens: 1 October 2015 - Early bird closes: 15 March 2016

First call for abstracts: 1 September 2015

Abstract submission from: 1 October 2015 - 15 November 2015

Announcement of accepted abstracts: 1 March 2016

More information: www.eupha-migranthealthconference.com
2. European Public Health Conference

Registration

You can benefit from early bird registration fees until 1 September. Please note that this year’s conference is one month earlier than in other years, so do not delay your registration until the last moment. Click for Registration.

Preconferences

The preconference programme is updated continuously. We offer interesting sessions on urban health and architecture, healthy food and nutrition, child injury prevention, sustainable health systems and social security, work and health. Check the preconference webpage for regular updates.

EXPO Milano 2015

With the theme ‘Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life’, the EXPO Milano 2015 encompasses how culture, technology, innovation, tradition and creativity relate to food and diet. The themes of food and nutrition are presented at the EXPO with a principle focus on the right to healthy, secure and sufficient food for all the world’s inhabitants. You can visit the EXPO while attending the EPH Conference in Milan. Tickets can be obtained through the conference website.

Preconference ‘Can we feed Europe sustainably and equitably?’

Why not combining your visit of the EXPO Milano 2015 with the pre-conference organised by the EUPHA Section on Food and Nutrition on Wednesday 14 October. Find out more here.

3. EUPHA members update

Belgian Association of Public Health (BAPH)

Dr Xavier Leus is the new president of the BAPH. The new contact person for member issues is Mrs Jamila Buziarist: absp.baph.bvv@gmail.com

Deutsche Gesellschaft für Public Health (DGPH)

The new contact person for the DGPH is Prof Ansgar Gerhardus.
4. European Journal of Public Health

The European Journal of Public Health is a multidisciplinary journal in the field of public health. The EJPH is published bimonthly. The journal provides a forum for discussion and debate of current international public health issues with a focus on the European region. In 2014, the impact factor of the journal is at 2.591. The 5-year impact factor is 2.512.

The EJPH is the official journal of EUPHA.

See below table of contents from the latest issue. To view the full articles follow the link below or your EUPHA membership account.

http://eurpub.oxfordjournals.org/

Europe's governments must implement standardised tobacco packaging now
Martin McKee, Mike Daube

The Europe we want—a Transatlantic Health and Wellbeing Partnership?
Mariana Dyakova, Mark Weiss, John Middleton, Mark A. Bellis

Credibility of observational studies: why public health researchers should care?
Stefania Boccia

What determines frequent attendance at out-of-hours primary care services?
Alessandra Buja, Roberto Toffanin, Stefano Rigon, Camilla Lion, Paolo Sandonà, Daniela Carraro, Gianfranco Damiani, Vincenzo Baldo

Transitions between health care settings in the final three months of life in four EU countries
Lieve Van den Block, Lara Pivodic, Koen Pardon, Gé Donker, Guido Miccinesi, Sarah Moreels, Tomas Vega Alonso, Luc Deliens, Bregje Onwuteaka-Philipsen

Cumulative contextual and individual disadvantages over the life course and adult functional somatic symptoms in Sweden
Per E. Gustafsson, Anne Hammarström, Miguel San Sebastian
Socioeconomic determinants of prescribed and non-prescribed medicine consumption in Austria
Susanne Mayer, August Österle

5. Call for proposals, job opportunities

Pfizer recently issued a call for Independent Grants for Learning & Change (IGL&C). Projects funded are the full responsibility of the recipient organisation. Pfizer has no influence over any aspect of the projects and only asks for reports about the results and the impact of the projects in order to share them publicly.

The full description of the call is available at: http://www.pfizer.com/files/IGLC_CGA_TobaccoDependenceTreatment.pdf

6. Interesting news

Adverse effects of clinical trial data transparency: Should we worry?

New legislation forces drug developers to disclose most of their clinical trials data when applying for approval of a new drug. Many will probably think that this is a good idea. The report warns that the new regulations might make it difficult for companies to patent new medical uses for known drugs.

http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/201...

Women in developed world still face many barriers to early abortion

Women in developed countries still find it very difficult to get an abortion in early pregnancy, despite facing fewer legal constraints than in other parts of the world, concludes an analysis of the available evidence, published in the Journal of Family Planning and Reproductive Health Care.

http://http://www.sciencedaily.com/relea...

Highly qualified healthcare workers with migrant background: loss to the country of origin, too little opportunity in destination country

A recent intercontinental study, conducted by the Centre for Public Health, Vienna, using the example of women from sub-Saharan Africa, has shown that, on the one hand, there is a shortage of qualified healthcare professionals but, on the other, huge obstacles are put in the way of qualified medical staff with a migrant background when they want to work abroad.

http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/201...

Targeting mistreatment of women during childbirth

In a new systematic review appearing this week in PLOS Medicine, Meghan Bohren and colleagues of the WHO Department of Reproductive Health and Research and Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health synthesize qualitative and quantitative evidence to form a clearer picture of the extent
and types of mistreatment that occurs during childbirth in health facilities. Such initiatives are key to developing policies to reduce and ultimately eliminate this inhumane and degrading phenomenon.

http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/201...

Epidemic of obesity, overweight linked to increased food energy supply

Obesity -- a global health problem -- is increasing in many countries in step with increases in the food energy supply, according to a study published in the Bulletin of the World Health Organization today.

http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/201...

Experts call for ‘all hands on deck’ to tackle global burden of non-communicable disease

A group of the world’s top doctors and scientists working in cardiology and preventive medicine have issued a call to action to tackle the global problem of deaths from non-communicable diseases, such as heart problems, diabetes and cancer, through healthy lifestyle initiatives.

http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/201...

Mortality rates in Europe vary depending on the socioeconomic level of the residence area

For a number of years now, scientific literature has questioned whether mortality rates depend on socioeconomic differences among the population. Recently, a new study carried out in 15 European cities detected inequalities for the majority of causes, concluding that higher levels of poverty are associated with higher mortality rates and there is a great deal of variation among areas. Social inequality is increasingly considered to be a public health problem. However, scant research has been carried out into associating these differences with the main causes of death in European urban areas.

http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/201...

Mandatory targets to cut salt would reduce excess heart disease deaths in deprived areas

Mandatory targets to reduce salt in processed food would help tackle inequalities in coronary heart disease that lead to excess deaths in deprived areas of England, according to research.

http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/201...

Breast cancer routinely over-diagnosed in Norway

For every life saved by Norway’s Breast Cancer Screening Programme, five women are over-diagnosed, and have to go through an operation to remove a tumour that otherwise never would have caused problems, a new report suggests.

http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/201...

7. Upcoming courses and conferences

Going International is the first source for finding courses, seminars, congresses and other events in the fields of medicine & health. Going International is Europe’s biggest service provider and information platform and serves as an interface between organisers and participants of events. Going International is an official partner of EUPHA.
Title: 24th ETC-PHHP Summer school: European perspectives on health promotion
Date / location: 2 Aug 2015 - 14 Aug 2015 / Cagliari, Italy
Organiser: ETC-PHHP

Title: Global Forum on Research and Innovation for Health 2015: "People at the Center of Health Research and Innovation"
Date / location: 24 Aug 2015 - 27 Aug 2015 / Manila, Philippines
Organiser: COHRED

Title: The Summer school on longitudinal and life course research
Date / location: 31 Aug 2015 - 4 Sep 2015 / Leibniz, Germany
Organiser: Leibniz Institute for Educational Trajectories and University of Bamberg

Title: 17th International Summer School 2015 "Infectious Disease Epidemiology: Concepts, Methods, Mathematical Modelling, and Burden of Disease"
Date / location: 14 Sep 2015 - 18 Sep 2015 / Bielefeld, Germany
Organiser: Bielefeld University

Title: Introduction to Mathematical Models of the epidemiology and control of infectious diseases
Date / location: 14 Sep 2015 - 25 Sep 2015 / London, United Kingdom
Organiser: Imperial College London

Title: WHO- Regional Committee for Europe
Date / location: 14 Sep 2015 - 17 Sep 2015 / Vilnius, Lithuania
Organiser: WHO

Title: Oslo breaking the ice EUGMS congress
Date / location: 16 Sep 2015 - 18 Sep 2015 / Oslo, Norway
Organiser: EUGMS 2015
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<td>TYGIEL Foundation and Silesia Division of the Polish Association of Public Health</td>
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<td><strong>EUFAMI European Congress</strong></td>
<td>19 Sep 2015 - 20 Sep 2015 / Sofia, Bulgaria</td>
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<td><strong>7th Congress of the International Society for Gender Medicine</strong></td>
<td>22 Sep 2015 - 23 Sep 2015 / Berlin, Germany</td>
<td>Institute of Gender in Medicine, Charité</td>
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<td><strong>Migrant and Ethnic Health Research</strong></td>
<td>24 Sep 2015 / The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, Glasgow, Scotland</td>
<td>NHS Health Scotland</td>
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<td><strong>Paris World Health Organisation Simulation</strong></td>
<td>25 Sep 2015 - 27 Sep 2015 / Paris, France</td>
<td>EHESP School of Public Health</td>
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<td><strong>4th World Congress of Clinical Safety</strong></td>
<td>28 Sep 2015 - 30 Sep 2015 / Vienna, Schloss Schonbrunn, Austria,</td>
<td>International Association of Risk Management in Medicine</td>
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<td><strong>18th European Health Forum Gastein</strong></td>
<td>30 Sep 2015 - 2 Oct 2015 / Bad Hofgastein, Austria</td>
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Title: **3rd GRF One Health Summit**  
Date / location: 4 Oct 2015 - 7 Oct 2015 / Davos, Switzerland  
Organiser: Global Risk Forum (GRF)

Title: **Health and sustainable development – the future**  
Date / location: 7 Oct 2015 - 9 Oct 2015 / Durban, South Africa  
Organiser: Public Health Association of South Africa

Title: **25th Annual Congress of the European Childhood Obesity Group**  
Date / location: 12 Oct 2015 - 14 Oct 2015 / Stockholm, Sweden  
Organiser: European Childhood Obesity Group

Title: **Pharmaceutical Pricing and Reimbursement Policies: Challenges beyond the Financial Crisis**  
Date / location: 12 Oct 2015 - 13 Oct 2015 / Vienna, Austria  
Organiser: WHO Collaborating Centre for Pharmaceutical Pricing and Reimbursement Policies

Title: **International Health and Wealth Conference**  
Date / location: 15 Oct 2015 - 17 Oct 2015 / Algarve, Portugal  
Organiser: IHWC

Title: **Public Health Research in practice**  
Date / location: 26 Oct 2015 - 27 Oct 2015 / Wageningen, Netherlands  
Organiser: Wageningen University

Title: **Integrated elderly and patient care in Turkey**  
Date / location: 29 Oct 2015 - 1 Nov 2015 / Istanbul, Turkey  
Organiser: Healthy Community Association
8. Interesting publications

The Lancet Commissions: Health and climate change: policy responses to protect public health

The 2015 Lancet Commission on Health and Climate Change has been formed to map out the impacts of climate change, and the necessary policy responses, in order to ensure the highest
attainable standards of health for populations worldwide. This Commission is multidisciplinary and international in nature, with strong collaboration between academic centres in Europe and China.

http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(15)60854-6/abstract

Dutch Cycling: Quantifying the Health and Related Economic Benefits

Dutch people have half-a-year-longer life expectancy because of cycling. These health benefits correspond to more than 5% of the Dutch gross domestic product. Our study confirmed that investments in bicycle-promoting policies (e.g., improved bicycle infrastructure and facilities) will likely yield a high cost–benefit ratio in the long term.

http://ajph.aphapublications.org/doi/abs/10.2105/AJPH.2015.302724

Health system developments in former Soviet countries

This issue's Eurohealth Observer section looks at challenges and achievements of former Soviet countries with regards to primary care, specialised and inpatient services, and pharmaceutical care as well as reforms in Ukraine and challenges to universal coverage in Uzbekistan. Other articles include: Health priorities for Luxembourg's EU Presidency; Care for older people in Denmark and Norway; Dutch expectation on out-of-pocket payments; Inequity in long-term care use in Spain; and Eurohealth Monitor.


Czech Republic Health in Transition (2015)

In the Czech Republic the global economic crisis following 2008 further aggravated the need for reforms to ensure financial sustainability. Recent reforms have focused on cost-saving emergency measures, including attempts to increase the share of private expenditure in health-care services and to exploit efficiency gains. However, there is a lack of political consensus on how to mobilize more financial resources in the longer term.


The correlates of chronic disease-related health literacy and its components among men: a systematic review

Jeff Davey, Carol A. Holden and Ben J. Smith

BMC Public Health 2015, 15:589

http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...

Distance to parks and non-residential destinations influences physical activity of older people, but crime doesn’t: a cross-sectional study in a southern European city

Ana Isabel Ribeiro, Andrea Pires, Marília Sá Carvalha and Maria Fátima Pina

BMC Public Health 2015, 15:593

http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...
Acceptability of a theory-based sedentary behaviour reduction intervention for older adults ('On Your Feet to Earn Your Seat')
Karen Milton and Jonathan Grix
BMC Public Health 2015, 15:614
http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...

Parental attitudes towards male human papillomavirus vaccination: a pan-European cross-sectional survey
Gitte Lee Mortensen, Marjorie Adam-and Laïla Idtaleb
BMC Public Health 2015, 15:624
http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...

Health and educational success in adolescents: a longitudinal study
Idunn Brekke
BMC Public Health 2015, 15:619
http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...

Why are older adults and individuals with underlying chronic diseases in Germany not vaccinated against flu? A population-based study
Birte Bödeker, Cornelius Remschmidt, Patrick Schmich and Ole Wichmann
BMC Public Health 2015, 15:618
http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...

Meso level influences on long term condition self-management: stakeholder accounts of commonalities and differences across six European countries
Anne Rogers, Ivaylo Vassilev, Maria J. Jesús Pumar, Elka Todorova, Mari Carmen Portillo, Christina Foss ,Jan Koetsenruijter, Nikoleta Ratsika, Manuel Serrano, Ingrid A. Ruud Knutsen, Michel Wensing, Poli Roukova, Evridiki Patelarou, Anne Kennedy and Christos Lionis
BMC Public Health 2015, 15:622
http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...

Adolescent school absenteeism and service use in a population-based study
Kristin Gärtner Askeland, Siren Haugland, Kjell Morten Stormark, Tormod Bøe and Mari Hysing
BMC Public Health 2015, 15:626
http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2458/1...

Social inequality and age-specific gender differences in overweight and perception of overweight among Swedish children and adolescents: a cross-sectional study
JS van Vliet, PA Gustafsson, K Duchen, and N Nelson
BMC Public Health 2015, 15:628
9. European Commission news

Recruitment and Retention of the Health Workforce in Europe

To add to the repository of good practices for efficient and sustainable health systems in the EU, the European Commission commissioned a study on the Recruitment and Retention of the Health Workforce. This study aims to identify and analyse effective strategies for recruiting and retaining health professionals to serve as inspiration for the development of organisational strategies and human resources policies in Europe.

http://ec.europa.eu/health/workforce/key...

Commission convenes 2nd conference on European Reference Networks in Lisbon: registration now open

The European Commission is organising a 2nd conference on European Reference Networks on 8-9 October 2015, which will be hosted by the Ministry of Health in Lisbon, Portugal. Included as an event in the Luxemburgish Council Presidency programme, this conference will bring together highly specialised healthcare providers, experts, national authorities, decision–makers, and independent bodies with experience in the assessment and evaluation of healthcare providers.

Expert Panel on Effective Ways of Investing in Health

10th Plenary meeting of the Expert Panel, 07 May 2015 Minutes of the meeting

4th Working Group meeting on Disruptive Innovation, 29 June 2015 Minutes of the meeting

6th Working Group meeting on Access to Health Care, 24 June 2015 Minutes of the meeting

Health workforce

Expert Group on European Health Workforce - Brussels, 17 June 2015 Agenda and presentations available

Medicinal products for human use

Attend live, or online! ‘50 Years of EU Pharma legislation: achievements and future perspectives’ conference

Blood, tissues and organs

Commission Decision establishing a model for agreements between the Commission and relevant organisations on the provision of product codes for use in the Single European Code


Preparedness and response

Statement on MERS-CoV infection advice with regard to travelling Statement by Health Security Committee/Early Warning and Response System

Scientific committees

SCENIHR - Minutes of the 11th Plenary meeting, Luxembourg, 25 June 2015

SCCS - Minutes of Working Group Meeting on Methodologies of 01 July 2015

Launch of the public consultation on the Preliminary Opinion on Synthetic Biology III: Research priorities

SCENIHR - Final Opinion on the safety of medical devices containing DEHP (phthalates)

SCCS - Opinion open for comments on Methylisothiazolinone (MI) (P94) Deadline: 01 September 2015

SCCS - Opinion open for comment on Basic Blue 124 (3-Amino-7-(dimethylamino)-2-methoxyphenoxazin-5-ium chloride) Deadline: 04 September 2015

SCCS - Opinion open for comment on HC Blue 18 (Colipa No. B122) - Submission I Deadline: 10 September 2015

Ageing

Conference ‘Which priorities for a European policy on multimorbidity?’ (Brussels, 27 October 2015) Registration open

Pharmaceuticals

Civil Society representatives: Call for expression of interest is open for the EMA Management Board

Health-EU Newsletter - Special Edition Scientific Committees

"Beauty is more than skin deep, but cosmetic products shouldn't be!" Editorial by Dr Qasim Chaudhry, Vice-chair of the Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety and Chair of the Working Group on nanomaterials in cosmetic products

Nutrition and physical activity

We love eating” movers and shakers showed their “powers” in Deventer Story of the month
10. European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control news


Epidemiology of MERS in South Korea similar to that observed in the Middle East and closely resembles that of the 2002–03 SARS outbreak.

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RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Epidemiological investigation of MERS-CoV spread in a single hospital in South Korea, May to June 2015

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21169

Preliminary epidemiological assessment of MERS-CoV outbreak in South Korea, May to June 2015

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21163

The role of superspreading in Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) transmission

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21167

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Event-based surveillance of food- and waterborne diseases in Europe: ‘urgent inquiries’ (outbreak alerts) during 2008 to 2013

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21166

LETTERS

Influenza case definitions need to be fit for purpose

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21162

NEWS

ECDC guidance on prevention of HIV and STIs suggests seven components for inclusion in national EU/EEA public health programmes

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21168

Eurosurveillance, Volume 20, Issue 27, 09 July 2015

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Pertussis school outbreak in adolescents from first age cohort with complete shift to acellular pertussis vaccine
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Early intervention in pertussis outbreak with high attack rate in cohort of adolescents with complete acellular pertussis vaccination in Valencia, Spain, April to May 2015

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21183

Assessing the risk of observing multiple generations of Middle East respiratory syndrome (MERS) cases given an imported case

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21181

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National point prevalence survey of healthcare-associated infections and antimicrobial use in French home care settings, May to June 2012

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21182


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Novel core-genome MLST typing scheme for Legionella pneumophilia presents prospects for a standardised, portable and expandable typing method based on whole genome sequencing

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RAPID COMMUNICATIONS

Targeted vaccination of teenagers following continued rapid endemic expansion of a single meningococcal group W clone (sequence type 11 clonal complex), United Kingdom 2015

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21188

Evaluation of immunochromatography tests for detection of novel GII.17 norovirus in stool samples

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21185

SURVEILLANCE AND OUTBREAK REPORTS

Design and application of a core genome multilocus sequence typing scheme for investigation of Legionnaires' disease incidents

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21186

Improving national surveillance of Lyme neuroborreliosis in Denmark through electronic reporting of specific antibody index testing from 2010 to 2012

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21184

RESEARCH ARTICLES

Estimating influenza vaccine effectiveness in Spain using sentinel surveillance data

http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=21187
11. WHO news

Human Resources for Health Information System

This document provides a standard-based tool for health workforce planners and decision-makers developing an electronic system or modifying an existing health information system to count and document all health workers within national and subnational contexts.

http://apps.who.int/bookorders/anglais/d...

State of Inequality: Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn and Child Health

The health of the world's population is in a state of inequality. That is to say, there are vastly different stories to tell about a person's health depending on where they live, their level of education, and whether they are rich or poor, etc. Monitoring the state of inequality in health takes into account the current experiences of population subgroups, as well as the trends of how health experiences in these subgroups have changed over time.

http://apps.who.int/bookorders/anglais/d...

WHO Guidelines for Indoor Air Quality

Given the mixed history of success with past intervention projects and programmes, and the fact that the 2.8 billion people still relying on traditional solid fuels are the world's poorest 40%, it is clear that securing a rapid transition to clean, efficient and modern household energy systems for cooking, heating, lighting and other household uses will be challenging.

http://apps.who.int/bookorders/anglais/d...

Building Primary Care in a Changing Europe: Case Studies

This new volume consists of structured case studies summarizing the state of primary care in 31 European countries. It complements the previous study, Building primary care in a changing Europe, in which we provided an overview of the state of primary care across the continent, including aspects of governance, financing, workforce and details of service profiles.

http://apps.who.int/bookorders/anglais/d...

Assessing Chronic Disease Management in European Health Systems: Country Reports

Many countries are exploring innovative approaches to redesign delivery systems to provide appropriate support to people with long-standing health problems. Central to these efforts to enhance chronic care are approaches that seek to better bridge the boundaries between professions, providers and institutions, but, as this study clearly demonstrates, countries have adopted differing strategies to design and implement such approaches.

http://apps.who.int/bookorders/anglais/d...

Strengthening health system accountability

This report takes stock of the measures that countries in the WHO European Region have put in place to strengthen their health systems' accountability since the adoption of the Tallinn Charter: Health Systems for Health and Wealth (2008) and the Health 2020 policy framework (2012). Recent years have undoubtedly brought significant challenges to the health systems in the Region, including international and national environments affected by an economic crisis, increased health needs and
scarcity of resources. Nevertheless, countries across the Region have taken abundant and significant steps to improve health-system accountability.

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