

Annual report 2019

EUPHA Public health epidemiology section (EUPHA-EPI)

Goals for 2020

The aim of this section is to facilitate the EUPHA network and increase the knowledge base of epidemiologic principles, tools and practice that can be applied to public health. As such, several actors and disciplines are involved from research several fields: beyond epidemiology, biostatistics and social sciences. A relevant role of the section is also promoting educational initiatives in this context.

In 2020, we aim to further:

- Promote and strengthen the development and use of the epidemiological methods in public health
- Encourage the presentation of research activities and related outputs at the annual conferences of EUPHA, related to the use of epidemiological tools in public health.
- Submit at least one workshop on relevant aspects regarding public health epidemiology.
- Work for a high scientific standard of studies on public health epidemiology.
- Encourage the publication of studies on public health epidemiology.
- Act in an advisory capacity for policy statements and papers to influence policy makers and politicians in line with EUPHA objectives.
- Arrange a pre-conference educational event for public health epidemiology researchers in connection to the EUPHA annual conferences.

Activities at the EPH conference

Workshop 2019. Real World Data: are we ready to take up the challenge? The workshop would be co-organized by the PHE section with the Health Technology Assessment (HTA) section. Chaired by Prof. Stefania Boccia (president of the Public Health Epidemiology Section EUPHA, Catholic University of Rome) and Prof. Chiara De Waure (Vice-president EUPHA Section on HTA, University of Perugia)

Pre-conference Course. Demystifying causal inference and mediation methods for public health researchers. Organized by EUPHA Research Pillar and EUPHA Section on Public Health Epidemiology.

Annual meeting

The Section meeting in 2019 will be held during the EUPHA Conference in Marseille.

General communications with section members

- Survey on the expectations of the section members during the new Presidency of the Section.
- Results of the survey elaborated and distributed to the Section Members.
- Newsletter in July, 2019, with information from the Public Health Epidemiology field, space for networking, sharing ideas, etc.
- Pre-conference workshop on causal mediation analysis: call for abstracts.

Survey

At the beginning of 2019, a survey was submitted to all PHE members to understand expectations and willingness to actively contribute to the PHE section. Results were elaborated and shared with the section members.