

Summary of activities of the EUPHA section Public Mental Health and call for activities in the next months

Preconference together with the Sections on Urban Health and Public Health Monitoring and Reporting

We organized a preconference for the first time ever in the history of EUPHA sections together with two other EUPHA sections. The preconference focused on research and monitoring of wellbeing.

Eight sessions on Mental Health at the 6th European Public Health Conference

Main topics were: suicide, risk factors and incidence of mental disorders, wellbeing – concepts and measurement; family mental health, comorbidity of neurodevelopmental disorders and mental disorders, sleep and mental disorders, family mental health, adolescent mental disorders, living conditions and mental health and men`s mental health.

Annual meeting

The annual meeting was well attended. Participants agreed on planning workshops together for the Glasgow 2014 conference.

Plans for 2014

The following workshops were proposed:

- Mental Health promotion (together with the section on Health Promotion)
- Risk factors for Public Mental Health (together with the section on Epidemiology)
- Children`s mental health (together with the section on Child health)
- Child – parents, and partner relationships and mental health
- Environment and neuropsychiatric disorders

Preconference

During the conference there was an increasing collaboration with the EUPHA section on Environment related disease. We propose a preconference on “Environment, neurotoxicity

and mental health” which can be organized together with the section on Environment related disease and the section Urban health.

Newsletter

Additionally, we propose to distribute a quarterly newsletter of the activities of the section. Who might help us in writing and sending out this newsletter?

We invite you to participate actively in the activities of the Section Public mental health as for instance the organization of the annual EUPHA conferences, drafting and submission of public mental health papers, joint research proposals and activities for capacity building. Please send us an email in case you are interested in any of these activities.

Looking forward to your comments and suggestions!

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Thank you and looking forward to seeing you in Glasgow!

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