

Draft report – *January – September 2018*

This report shortly summarized previous activities within the section, describes current aims and the structure of the section, and the planned activities for 2018.

Activities before 2018

The EUPHA section on Sexual and Gender Minority Health was formally established in November 2016 after decisions by the EUPHA Section Council and the EUPHA Governing Board. In 2016, the section worked on further developing and clarifying the section's aim and vision. Over the course of 2017, the section focused on establishing the necessary logistical and communication channels and expanding the network of affiliated researchers and students. During the annual EUPHA conference a call of interest for participants to special section's steering committee was announced during the 'Join the section"-meeting.

Activities in 2018

The priorities of the section in 2018 are to:

- Establish a steering committee
- Expand the network
- Collaborate with other EUPHA sections
- Increase visibility and awareness at the annual conference

In early 2018, a call for applicants was sent out to all members of the section in order to recruit members for the new steering committee. All interested individuals were invited to an online meeting. In March 2018, the steering committee was formed in order to further guide activities, future plans, and to expand collaborations with the other EUPHA sections.

Following the abstract submission for Ljubljana 2018, the section sent out a call for applications for an early-career award regarding abstracts focusing on physical and mental health of sexual and gender minorities. The price consists of a maximum of 1,000 EUR to cover the costs for attending the conference in Ljubljana. The price was awarded to Michal Pitonák.

Section's structure

- President: Richard Bränström, PhD (richard.branstrom@ki.se)
- Vice-president: Arjan van der Star, MSc (arjan.van.der.star@ki.se)
- Registered section members: 301 (September 2018)
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Program during Ljubljana 2018

The EUPHA section on Sexual and Gender Minority Health is (co-) organizing or actively participating in the following activities during Ljubljana 2018:

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 29TH

Workshop: Growing up being LGBT in Europe: the impact of bullying and parenting behavior on mental health (1.L.)

09:00-10:30

Organized by the EUPHA sections on Sexual and Gender Minority Health and on Child and Adolescent Public Health
Chairperson(s): Arjan van der Star - EUPHA (SGMH), Danielle Jansen - EUPHA (CAPH)

LGBT bullying at school across 28 European countries: the impact of bullying and structural stigma on later life satisfaction

Arjan van der Star - EUPHA (SGMH)

Longitudinal study on depression and anxiety in same-sex attracted youth and the role of parenting behaviours

Gabriël van Beusekom - Netherlands

Strategies of support and empowerment: the perspective of gender diverse children and adolescents

Ametz Suess Schwend - Spain

Bullying and mental health: the effects of Prima anti-bullying program in The Netherlands

Marloes van Verseveld - Netherlands

Workshop: Barriers and strategies to improve health among sexual minority men in Eastern Europe (2.L.)

14:10-15:10

Organized by the EUPHA section on Sexual and Gender Minority Health
Chairperson(s): Kristefer Stojanovski - United States, Sladjana Baros - Serbia

Barriers for HIV counseling and testing among MSM in Serbia: combined bio-behavioural survey and qualitative study

Sladjana Baros - Serbia

Perceived and Experienced Discrimination and Sexual Identity Disclosure of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Patients in Croatia

Igor Grabovac - Austria

Risk factors for HIV among an MSM population in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Stela Stojisavljevic - Bosnia and Herzegovina

Avenues to address the needs of SGM in post-socialist countries: findings from Macedonia

Kristefer Stojanovski - United States

An mHealth Intervention to Improve Sexual, Behavioral, and Mental Health Among Stigmatized Young Gay and Bisexual Men in Romania

Corina Lelutiu-Weinberger - United States

Workshop: Sexually Transmitted Infections Among Men Who Have Sex with Men Across Europe (3.L.)

15:40-16:40

Organized by the EUPHA sections on Sexual and Gender Minority Health and on Infectious Diseases Control
Chairperson(s): Aura Timen - EUPHA (IDC), Richard Bränström - EUPHA (SGMH)

Prolonged hepatitis A outbreak disproportionately affecting men having sex with men, European Area 2016 -2018

Ettore Severi - Sweden

Validating the syndemic threat surrounding sexual minority men's health in a population-based study

Richard Bränström - EUPHA (SGMH)

Implementation and evaluation of the human papillomavirus vaccination pilot for men who have sex with men in England, 2016-2017

Michael Edelstein - United Kingdom

Prevalence and Determinants of Illicit Drug and Polydrug Use in People Living with HIV in Austria

Igor Grabovac - Austria

Poster walk: From tradition to innovation (3.R.)

15:40-16:40

3.R.12 - Sexual orientation, gender identity and social anxiety levels in sexual minorities

Conor Mahon - Ireland

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 30TH

Networking: Sexual and gender minority health: Join the network (JTN21)

12:10-13:40

Organized by the EUPHA section on Sexual and Gender Minority Health
Chairperson(s): Richard Bränström - EUPHA (SGMH), Arjan van der Star - EUPHA (SGMH)

SATURDAY DECEMBER 1ST

Workshop: Strategies to Monitor the Health and Health Care Needs of LGBT Individuals across Europe (8.P.)

8:30-9:30

Organized by the EUPHA sections on Sexual and Gender Minority Health and on Public Health Monitoring and Reporting
Chairperson(s): Richard Bränström - EUPHA (SGMH), Nicole Rosenkötter - EUPHA (PHMR)

Contributions by:

Charlotte Deogan - Sweden

John Pachankis - United States

Igor Grabovac - Austria

Nicole Rosenkötter - EUPHA (PHMR)

Oral presentations: Community based approaches to improve health of minorities (8.L.)

8:30-9:30

Violence against South African sexual and gender minority people: a cross-sectional study

Alex Müller - South Africa

Workshop: Health of Sexual and Gender Minorities in Hard-to-reach High-stigma Populations (9.L.)

9:40-11:10

Organized by the EUPHA sections on Sexual and Gender Minority Health and on Migrant and Ethnic Minority Health

Chairperson(s): Allan Krasnik - EUPHA (MIG), Richard Bränström - EUPHA (SGMH)

An Intersectional Analysis of Sexual Minority Men's HIV Risk When Migrating to or Within Europe

John Pachankis - United States

Training of healthcare professionals to reduce stigma and discrimination towards minorities in Turkey

Ozge Karadag Caman - Turkey

Mental health and stigma-related stress among migrants from countries with high LGBT-stigma in Sweden

Richard Bränström - EUPHA (SGMH)

Perspectives of LGBTIQ* migrants, refugees and ethnic minorities for the development of a gender-sensitive and intersectional health reporting in Germany

Kathleen Pöge - Germany

Mental health among lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex people in East and Southern Africa

Alex Müller - South Africa

Workshop: Improving health care providers' LGBTIQ health knowledge and competence across Europe (10.H.)

11:40-13:10

Organized by the EUPHA section on Sexual and Gender Minority Health

Chairperson(s): Amets Sues Schwend - Spain

Evaluation of an LGBT-affirmative mental health practice training in a stigmatizing national context

Corina Lelutiu-Weinberger - United States

LGBTIQ health care training from a depathologization and human rights perspective

Amets Sues Schwend - Spain

The project on medical education without discrimination

Selma Karabey - Turkey

Training modules developed within the Health4LGBT project funded by the European Council

Massimo Mirandola - Italy