

Theories and methods in research on women's higher sickness absence than men

The 7th pre-conference of the EUPHA Section of Social Security and Health,
arranged for researchers of sickness absence.

Place and date: Lodz, Poland, 25th November, 2009

PROGRAM

- 08.30 ■ **Registration and Coffee**
Pre-conference venue will be updated as soon as decided.
- 09.00 ■ **Welcome and presentation**
Kristina Alexanderson, President of the EUPHA-section of Social Security and Health,
Professor, PhD, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm
- 09.15 ■ **Introducing the theme and program**
Gunnel Hensing, Professor, PhD, University of Gothenburg
- 09.30 ■ **Gender theories and models relevant for research on sickness absence and return to work**
Gunnel Hensing, Professor, PhD, University of Gothenburg
- 10.30 **Coffee break**
- 10.45 ■ **Group discussions: Sex differences in sickness absence**
– what else do we need to know to move explanations further?
- 11.45 ■ **Job and family related explanations of gender differences in sickness absence: A review of the evidence**
Arne Mastekaasa, Professor, PhD, University of Oslo
- 12.30 **Lunch**
- 13.30 ■ **Sickness absence as an interactive process: gendered experiences of young highly educated women with mental health problems**
Petra Verdonk, PhD, Maastricht University
- 14:00 ■ **Sickness absence in women – what are the associations to domestic work?**
Carin Staland Nyman, PhD, University of Gothenburg
- 14.30 ■ **Group discussions**
How can gender theories contribute?
- to your own research area
- to interventions to reduce sex differences in sickness absence
- 15.00 **Coffee break**
- 15.30 ■ **Gendering sickness absence research – a way to move forward?**
Panel conversation
Moderator: Gunilla Krantz, Associate professor, PhD, University of Gothenburg
Panel participants: Presenters of the day and Anne Hammarström, Professor, PhD, Umeå university, specialised in gender and health theories.
Active participation of pre-conference participants
- 16.30 ■ **Summary of the day, reflections.**
Discussion on implications for our future research
Senior researcher NN
- 17.00 ■ **Planning of next pre-conference and other practical issues**
Kristina Alexanderson
- 17.30 **Prepare for dinner**
- 18.30 ■ **Pre-conference dinner, for all participants**