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### 1. Editorial

To celebrate healthy populations and raise awareness of public health, EUPHA is launching the first-ever [European Public Health WEEK](#), which will be held 13 - 17 May 2019. Read how you can join the WEEK in this newsletter.

Earlier this month the EUPHA section council came together and had a productive two-day meeting, including preparations for the European Public Health Conference. Two proposed sections were presented: [Digital health](#) and [Oral health](#).

Be sure to check out the updates from the European Public Health Conference, our member, the latest issue of the EJPH, and news from the European Commission, ECDC and WHO.

Wishing you pleasant reading,

Natasha Azzopardi-Muscat, EUPHA President and Dineke Zeegers Paget, EUPHA Executive Director

## 2. EUPHA update

### **EUPHA publishes e-collection on antimicrobial resistance (AMR)**

Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) will remain one of the key threats to global health in the years and decades to come. It is already costing thousands of lives every year. The European region is not spared and unless AMR is tackled rapidly, it will likely become one of the top causes of deaths, globally and in Europe. The European Journal of Public Health papers in this e-collection provide concrete examples of how the strategic objectives of the AMR global action plan can be operationalised in the region, showcasing some successes but also highlighting some of the challenges, in particular around changing prescribing and consumption behaviour.

### **4th V4 Public Health Conference**

EUPHA is very happy to be a co-organiser of the 4th V4 Public Health Conference which will be held on 25-26 April, 2019 in Debrecen, Hungary. The four Visegrád (V4) countries (i.e. Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, and Slovakia) have a common history, common challenges, common public health problems and aim to find common solutions together.

### **European symposium 2019 - Salutogenic hospital design and urban health**

EUPHA is proud to be a partner in the 2019 European symposium on salutogenic hospital design and urban health, organised by the Politecnico Milan. This symposium linking architecture and design to health is organised in Milan, Italy from 28-31 March 2019. The president of our EUPHA section on Urban public health, Prof Stefano Capolongo, is the scientific director of the conference.

### **2nd International Public Mental Health Conference, of the EUPHA Section Public Mental Health, will be held in Jerusalem, Israel on June 19-21, 2019**

We cordially invite you to participate and contribute to this exciting conference in Jerusalem. We invite oral and poster abstract submissions that provide scientific knowledge fitting one of the conference tracks. Check out the website for more information on how to submit your abstract, view the preliminary program, learn about the reduced

registration rates that are available, and to [register](#) for this conference.

On behalf of the scientific committee, we wish you a warm welcome in Jerusalem, Jutta Lindert PhD, Haim Belmaker MD, Haim Knobler MD, Ido Lurie MD

### 3. Join the European Public Health WEEK

To celebrate healthy populations and raise awareness of public health, EUPHA is launching the first-ever European Public Health WEEK (EUPHW) between 13 and 17 May 2019, with each day focusing on a specific theme:

- Monday 13 May - Becoming, being and remaining physically active
- Tuesday 14 May - Healthy environments
- Wednesday 15 May - Care 4 care
- Thursday 16 May - Sustainable and healthy diets
- Friday 17 May - Youth mental health

**EUPHA encourages organisations, professionals and citizens interested in public health to join activities related to these themes, organise their own or simply spread the word.**

You can find more information on the [EUPHA website](#), which will be updated regularly in the coming months. A form to submit your activities will be available shortly. In the meantime, if you would like to share your ideas and questions please email [euphacommunications@eupha.org](mailto:euphacommunications@eupha.org).

The European Public Health WEEK is an initiative by the European Public Health Association (EUPHA), co-organised by the European Commission, and supported by WHO Europe.

### 4. European Public Health Conference



**12th European Public Health Conference: 'Building bridges for solidarity and public health', Marseille Chanot, Marseille, France, 20 - 23 November 2019**

## **Call for Abstracts**

Abstracts are invited for workshops, oral presentations, pitch presentations and e-posters. Prizes will be awarded for the best oral, poster and early career professional's presentation. Abstracts do not have to be confined to the conference theme but can cover any aspect of public health.

Do not miss the opportunity to be recognised for your hard work. Abstracts and workshop proposals can be submitted [here](#).

## **Digital Public Health**

This year's EPH Conference in Marseille will feature a full track on Digital Health which will be developed in collaboration with the International Digital Public Health (DPH) Conference series. The Digital Health Conferences are world leading annual interdisciplinary events aiming to improve public health through the application of novel technology at the personal, community and global levels. They are unique in bringing together audiences from public health, computer and data science, MedTech industry and NGOs.

For those with work of a technical focus (e.g. computer science, data science, big data systems and analysis, development of technology), we recommend submitting your paper/abstract to the [DPH system](#). Deadline for submissions is 25 May 2019.

For those with a public health, medical, practice-based focus (e.g. healthcare systems, training, policy), we advise submitting your abstract to the [EPH Conference system](#), to the dedicated 'Digital Health' Track. Deadline for submissions is 1 May 2019.

## **Abstract Mentor Programme**

The [Abstract Mentor Programme](#) offers an opportunity for young and/or less experienced abstract submitters to receive feedback from experienced reviewers on their abstracts.

## **Registration**

Registration for the 12th EPH Conference opens 1 April 2019. You can benefit from early bird registration fees until 15 September. We are expecting over 1,500 delegates. Meet your colleagues at the largest public health event in Europe and register early to benefit from the reduced rates.

## **Exhibition**

The EPH Conference offers interesting opportunities for exhibitors. If you have plans for an exhibition stand at the conference, please contact [office@ephconference.eu](mailto:office@ephconference.eu).

## 5. EUPHA members update

### **EUPHA and the Romanian Association for Public Health publish e-collection on AMR**

EUPHA publishes [e-collection 'Fighting antimicrobial resistance: actions taken across Europe'](#). Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) will remain one of the key threats to global health in the years and decades to come. It is already costing thousands of lives every year. The European region is not spared and unless AMR is tackled rapidly, it will likely become one of the top causes of deaths, globally and in Europe. The European Journal of Public Health papers in this e-collection provide concrete examples of how the strategic objectives of the AMR global action plan can be operationalised in the region, showcasing some successes but also highlighting some of the challenges, in particular around changing prescribing and consumption behaviour.

### **SFSP supports Walter Ricciardi**

The French Society of Public Health is offering its support to Prof. Walter Ricciardi, past president of EUPHA, who [stepped down](#) as head of the National Institute of Public Health in Italy last December. Ricciardi protested to the unscientific approach to health by the Italian government.

### **DGMS National conference on 'New ideas for more health'**

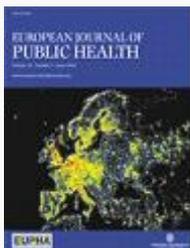
The German Society for Medical Sociology, together with the DGSMSP, is organising its [annual conference](#) from 16-18 September in Dusseldorf.

### **Public Health Switzerland: annual meeting**

Public Health Schweiz is organising a [symposium on 'balanced diets, served in a comprehensive way'](#) on 12 March 2019 in Bern.

### **Now available in Portuguese - [EUPHA statement on migration, ethnicity and health](#)**

The EUPHA statement on migration, ethnicity and health is translated to Portuguese. This translation is kindly provided by the Portuguese Association of Public Health Doctors.



## 6. European Journal of Public Health

Latest issue of the journal, February 2019

### EDITORIAL

#### Social media, bots and research performance

Reiner Leidl

### HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH

#### Unexplained variations in general practitioners' perceptions and practices regarding vaccination in France - EDITOR'S CHOICE

Fanny Collange; Anna Zaytseva; Céline Pulcini; Aurélie Bocquier; Pierre Verger

#### Recommendations for design and analysis of health examination surveys under selective non-participation

Juha Karvanen; Tommi Härkänen; Jaakko Reinikainen; Hanna Tolonen

#### The impact of generic labels on the consumption of and adherence to medication: a randomized controlled trial

Rafael B Goldszmidt; André R Buttendorf; Guenther Schuldt Filho; Jose M Souza, Jr; Marco A Bianchini

#### Community pharmacies offer a potential high-yield and convenient arena for total cholesterol and CVD risk screening

Karianne Svendsen; David R Jacobs Jr; Ida Tønning Røyseth; Kjersti Wilhelmsen Garstad; Marte Gjeitung Byfuglien...

#### Health policy analysis of the non-implementation of HPV vaccination coverage in the pay for performance scheme in France

Robin Ohannessian; Panayotis Constantinou; Franck Chauvin

## **CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH**

### **The increased trend of non-drinking alcohol among adolescents: what role do internet activities have?**

Peter Larm; Jonas Raninen; Cecilia Åslund; Johan Svensson; Kent W Nilsson

### **Child maltreatment prevention: a content analysis of European national policies**

Maria Ramiro-Gonzalez; Darja Dobermann; Dmytro Metilka; Emogene Aldridge; Yongjie Yon ...

### **Sex, drugs, risk and resilience: analysis of data from the Canadian Health Behaviour in School-aged Children (HBSC) study**

Susan P Phillips; Nathan King; Valerie Michaelson; William Pickett

### **Low schoolwork engagement and schoolwork difficulties predict smoking in adolescence?**

Jaana L Minkkinen; Jaana M Kinnunen; Sakari Karvonen; Risto H Hotulainen; Pirjo L Lindfors ...

## **AGING AND HEALTH**

### **Childhood socioeconomic circumstances and disability trajectories in older men and women: a European cohort study**

Aljoscha Landös; Martina von Arx; Boris Cheval; Stefan Sieber; Matthias Kliegel ...

### **The prevalence of elder abuse in institutional settings: a systematic review and meta-analysis**

Yongjie Yon; Maria Ramiro-Gonzalez; Christopher R Mikton; Manfred Huber; Dinesh Sethi

### **Factors associated with older people's emergency department attendance towards the end of life: a systematic review**

Anna E Bone; Catherine J Evans; Simon N Etkind; Katherine E Sleeman; Barbara Gomes ...

**Opioid, antipsychotic and hypnotic use in end of life in long-term care facilities in six European countries: results of PACE**

Marc Tanghe; Nele Van Den Noortgate; Lara Pivodic; Luc Deliens; Bregje Onwuteaka-Philipsen ...

**Gender differences in cognitive performance and health status in the Faroese Septuagenarians cohort**

Maria Skaalum Petersen; Fróði Debes; Philippe Grandjean; Pál Weihe

**CHRONIC DISEASE**

**Contribution of chronic conditions to gender disparities in health expectancies in Belgium, 2001, 2004 and 2008**

Renata T C Yokota; Willma J Nusselder; Jean-Marie Robine; Jean Tafforeau; Françoise Renard ...

**Selective prevention of cardiometabolic diseases: activities and attitudes of general practitioners across Europe**

Anne-Karien M de Waard; Monika Hollander; Joke C Korevaar; Mark M J Nielen; Axel C Carlsson ...

**Societal participation of individuals aged 55–64 years with and without chronic disease**

Micky Scharn; Allard J van der Beek; Bianca Suanet; Martijn Huisman; Cécile R L Boot

**Contribution of chronic conditions to disability in men and women in France**

Wilma J Nusselder; Dagmar Wapperom; Caspar W N Looman; Renata T C Yokota; Herman van Oyen...

**Socioeconomic inequality in non-communicable diseases in Europe between 2004 and 2015: evidence from the SHARE survey**

Filippa Bono; Domenica Matranga

## **INFECTIOUS DISEASE**

### **Knowledge and attitude of HIV/AIDS among women in Nigeria: a cross-sectional study**

Sanni Yaya; Bishwajit Ghose; Ogochukwu Udenigwe; Vaibhav Shah; Alzahra Hudani ...

### **Content and source analysis of popular tweets following a recent case of diphtheria in Spain**

Talya Porat; Pablo Garaizar; Marta Ferrero; Hilary Jones; Mark Ashworth ...

### **Austerity, measles and mandatory vaccination: cross-regional analysis of vaccination in Italy 2000–14**

Veronica Toffolutti; Martin McKee; Alessia Melegaro; Walter Ricciardi; David Stuckler

## **WORK AND HEALTH**

### **Shift work, chronotype and the risk of cardiometabolic risk factors**

Gerben Hulsege; H Susan J Picavet; Allard J van der Beek; W M Monique Verschuren; Jos W Twisk...

### **The impact of depressive symptoms on exit from paid employment in Europe: a longitudinal study with 4 years follow-up**

Fabio Porru; Alex Burdorf; Suzan J W Robroek

### **Inequalities in the control of the occupational exposure in France to carcinogenic, mutagenic and reprotoxic chemicals**

Nathalie Havet; Alexis Penot; Morgane Plantier; Barbara Charbotel; Magali Morelle ...

### **The association between part-time and temporary employment and**

### **sickness absence: a prospective Swedish twin study**

Björg Helgadóttir; Pia Svedberg; Lisa Mather; Petra Lindfors; Gunnar Bergström ...

## **TOBACCO**

### **Emotional salience of the image component facilitates recall of the text of cigarette warning labels**

An-Li Wang; Zhenhao Shi; Victoria P Fairchild; Catherine A Aronowitz; Daniel D Langleben

### **Smoking in bars in eight European countries in 2010 and 2016: an observational comparative study**

Kolja N J van Beek; Mirte A G Kuipers; Onno Lignac; Anton E Kunst

### **A long way to go: 20-year trends from multiple surveillance systems show a still huge use of tobacco in minors in Italy**

Giuseppe Gorini; Silvano Gallus; Giulia Carreras; Barbara Cortini; Virginia Vannacci ...

### **Feasibility of recruitment to a behavioural smoking cessation intervention combined with ongoing online support**

Ciara M E Reynolds; Brendan Egan; Eimer G O'Malley; Rachel R A Kennedy; Sharon R Sheehan ...

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

### **The impact of a sugar-sweetened beverages tax on oral health and costs of dental care in Australia**

P Marcin Sowa; Elena Keller; Nicole Stormon; Ratilal Laloo; Pauline J Ford

### **Predictive risk model for the diagnosis of diabetes mellitus type 2 in a follow-up study 15 years on: PRODI2 Study**

Luisa M Moreno; Jesús Vergara; Raquel Alarcón

**Defining and measuring multimorbidity: a systematic review of systematic reviews**

Marjorie C Johnston; Michael Crilly; Corri Black; Gordon J Prescott; Stewart W Mercer

**ERRATUM**

**Morbidity and housing status 10 years after shelter use—follow-up of homeless men in Helsinki, Finland**

Agnes Stenius-Ayoade; Peija Haaramo; Hannu Kautiainen; Sanna Sunikka; Mika Gissler ...

**EUROPEAN PUBLIC HEALTH NEWS**

**European Public Health News**

Dineke Zeegers Paget; Natasha Azzopardi Muscat; Zsuzsanna Jakab; Vytenis Andriukaitis; Yves Charpak

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## **7. Call for proposals, job opportunities**

**Wanted: Public Health Experts in CUAMM**

Doctors with Africa-CUAMM is an international NGO working for health system strengthening in Africa. Their mission is to advocate the universal right to health and promote the values of international solidarity, justice and peace. Working in 8 sub-Saharan African countries (Angola, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Sierra Leone, South Sudan, Tanzania, Central African Republic and Uganda). And the main intervention areas are: maternal and child health, nutrition, infectious diseases and non-communicable diseases.

Public Health Experts in CUAMM work at the district level to improve the management and the quality of services. They ensure technical assistance to local health authorities, carry out supervision and training at the peripheral level, strengthen the information system, collaborate to data collection and analysis and promote the dialogue with the community.

For further information or send your application, please send an email to [international.recruitment@cuamm.org](mailto:international.recruitment@cuamm.org)

### **Open positions at the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock, Germany**

There are positions for [Post-Docs/Research Scientists](#) and [Software Developers](#).

### **Invitation Short Course Methods in Social Epidemiology: 15 - 17 May 2019 at the University of Antwerp**

*What to expect?*

In this short course on methods in social epidemiology, experts will treat several topics of this rapidly evolving discipline. Besides the key note presentations in the morning, the methods sections in the afternoon will make you acquainted with the practical aspects. This course is really a must for all scholars working in public health and epidemiological research.

*Where?*

The course will be organised on the City Campus of the University of Antwerp. This campus is easily accessible by public transport.

*Who?*

Students or researchers in the field of epidemiology, public health, health promotion and education, health care management, biomedical or social sciences.

*Registration*

Registration fee: €60 (UAntwerp MEPI students) - €150 (UAntwerp MEPI alumni/other (PhD)students) - €300 (all others). The number of participants is limited to 50.

### **2019 Call for proposals of the Active and Assisted Living Programme now open**

The Active and Assistive Living (AAL) Association has opened its 2019 [Call for proposals: 'Sustainable Smart Solutions for Ageing Well'](#). This year the aim of the call is to support innovative, transnational and multi-disciplinary collaborative projects.

### **SPIN Research Postdoctoral Fellowship**

SPIN is currently seeking applicants for a Postdoctoral Fellowship position, in partnership with Scleroderma Canada. Please read the [job description](#) for details.

## 8. Interesting news

### **When research participation pays, some people lie**

Offering compensation can be an important tactic to attract potential participants for enrollment in research studies, but it might come at a cost. A new study found that up to 23 percent of respondents lied about their eligibility to participate in a survey when offered payment, even small amounts.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

### **Audit preview: EU action to fight antimicrobial resistance**

The European Court of Auditors is conducting an audit on the Commission's and relevant agencies' management of key activities and resources to support Member States as well as EU research aimed at fighting AMR.

<https://www.eca.europa.eu/en/Pages/Doct...>

### **Investing in antibiotics critical to saving lives during pandemic influenza outbreaks**

Researchers have developed a mathematical framework to estimate the value of investing in developing and conserving an antibiotic to mitigate the burden of bacterial infections caused by resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* during a pandemic influenza outbreak.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

### **Do we have an epidemic? Enhancing disease surveillance using a health information exchange**

While disease surveillance has shifted toward greater use of electronically transmitted information to decrease the reporting burden on physicians, the challenge of getting the right information to public health officials at the right time has not been completely solved.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/20...>

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## 9. 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.

[2nd bi-annual Patient Flow: The Future of Urgent and Emergency Care Congress](#)

27 Feb 2019 / London, United Kingdom

*Organiser:* Convenzis group

[4th Congress Hidden Hunger: Hidden hunger and the transformation of food systems: How to combat the double burden of malnutrition?](#)

27 Feb 2019 - 1 Mar 2019 / Stuttgart, Germany

*Organiser:* University of Hohenheim

[Rare Diseases day](#)

28 Feb 2019

*Organiser:* EURORDIS

[ORAMMA \(Operational Refugee and Migrant Maternal Approach\): final event](#)

28 Feb 2019 / Brussels, Belgium

*Organiser:* ORAMMA project

[Next steps towards making the EU a best practice region in combating AMR](#)

28 Feb 2019 - 1 Mar 2019 / Bucharest, Romania

*Organiser:* Romanian Ministry of Health

[MSc International Healthcare Leadership \(part-time\)](#)

1 Mar 2019 - 1 Mar 2021 / Online + 4 workshops in Manchester, UK

*Organiser:* Alliance Manchester Business School, The University of Manchester

[World Healthcare Congress Europe 2019](#)

5 Mar 2019 - 7 Mar 2019 / Manchester, United Kingdom

*Organiser:* WHCE

Culture and Health webinar series 2019: Air pollution: local contexts, universal effects

6 Mar 2019 / online

*Organiser:* WHO

Professional Certificate in Strategic Health Planning

18 Mar 2019 - 22 Mar 2019 / London, United Kingdom

*Organiser:* International Centre for Parliamentary Studies

[[www.uit.at/htads](http://www.uit.at/htads)]Causal Inference in Observational Studies and Clinical Trials Affected by Treatment Switching: A Practical Hands-on Workshop

18 Mar 2019 - 21 Mar 2019 / Hall in Tirol, Austria

*Organiser:* UMIT-Hall

Strengthening preparedness for (re)emerging arbovirus infections: symptoms, diagnostics, clinical management and outbreak control

19 Mar 2019 - 21 Mar 2019 / Ljubljana, Slovenia

*Organiser:* ESCMID

Healthy Ageing: The Grand Challenge

19 Mar 2019 / Manchester, United Kingdom

*Organiser:* Open Forum Events

Sixth high-level meeting of small countries – equity and sustainable development: keeping people at the centre

31 Mar 2019 - 2 Apr 2019 / San Marino

*Organiser:* WHO

Health Economics for Public Health Practice & Research

8 Apr 2019 - 10 Apr 2019 / Gwynedd, United Kingdom

*Organiser:* Bangor University

Time to deliver – meeting NCD targets to achieve Sustainable Development Goals in Europe

9 Apr 2019 - 10 Apr 2019 / Ashgabat, Turkmenistan

*Organiser:* WHO

World Vaccine Congress Washington

14 Apr 2019 - 17 Apr 2019 / Washington, USA

*Organiser:* World Vaccine Congress

2nd World Congress on Public Health, Epidemiology and Nutrition

15 Apr 2019 - 16 Apr 2019 / Milan, Italy

*Organiser:* Allied Academies

2nd International Congress of Health Workforce Education and Research

9 May 2019 - 11 May 2019 / Nicosia, Cyprus

*Organiser:* International Network for Health Workforce Education

European Diabetes Epidemiology Group Annual Conference EDEG 2019

11 May 2019 - 14 May 2019 / Luxembourg city, Luxembourg

*Organiser:* Luxembourg Public Health Association

Improving Outcomes in the Treatment of Opioid Dependence (IOTOD)

13 May 2019 - 14 May 2019 / Frankfurt, Germany

*Organiser:* PCM Scientific

7th World Congress on Public Health, Nutrition & Epidemiology

15 May 2019 - 16 May 2019 / Singapore

*Organiser:* Conference series

Short Course Methods in Social Epidemiology

15 May 2019 - 17 May 2019 / Antwerp, Belgium

*Organiser:* University of Antwerp

16th World Congress of the European Association for Palliative Care

23 May 2019 - 25 May 2019 / Berlin, Germany

*Organiser:* EAPC

15th Edition of International Conference on Healthcare

27 May 2019 - 29 May 2019 / Barcelona, Spain

*Organiser:* EuroSciCon

## 10. Interesting publications

**Validity of Danish register diagnoses of myocardial infarction and stroke against experts in people with screen-detected diabetes**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12889-019-6549-z>

**Parental digital health information seeking behavior in Switzerland: a cross-sectional study**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12889-019-6524-8>

**Patients' experiences of physical activity on prescription with access to counsellors in routine care: a qualitative study in Sweden**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12889-019-6535-5>

**Barriers and facilitators to adoption, implementation and sustainment of obesity prevention interventions in schoolchildren - a DEDIPAC case study**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12889-018-6368-7>

**Environmental correlates of physical activity among children 10 to 13 years old in Wallonia (Belgium)**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12889-019-6509-7>

**Predicting reattendance to the second round of the Maltese national breast screening programme: an analytical descriptive study**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12889-019-6507-9>

**Using rapid reviews to strengthen health policy and systems and progress towards universal health coverage**

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/bmjgh/4/1/e00...>

**The Global Syndemic of Obesity, Undernutrition, and Climate Change**

<https://www.thelancet.com/commissions/gl...>

**Britain is broken: poor child health proves it**

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

**Adding insult to injury--redefining domestic abuse**

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

**Scientific conflict and big food companies**

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

**Preteen children's health related quality of life in Sweden: changes over time and disparities between different sociodemographic groups**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Type 2 Diabetes: how informed are the general public? A cross-sectional study investigating disease awareness and barriers to communicating knowledge in high-risk populations in London**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Introduction of genomics into prenatal diagnostics**

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

**Scaling up prevention and treatment towards the elimination of hepatitis C: a global mathematical model**

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

**How feasible is the global elimination of HCV infection?**

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

**More talk than action: gender and ethnic diversity in leading public health universities**

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

**Childhood sensorineural hearing loss and adult mental health up to 43 years later: results from the HUNT study**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Pilot randomized controlled trial testing the influence of front-of-pack sugar warning labels on food demand**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Diagnostic pathways and delay among tuberculosis patients in Stockholm, Sweden: a retrospective observational study**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Ethnic differences in sedentary behaviour in 6-8-year-old children during school terms and school holidays: a mixed methods study**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Global public health challenges, fiscal policies, and yellow vest**

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

**Population Health Monitoring: Climbing the Information Pyramid**

<https://www.springer.com/us/book/9783319...>

**Social media, screen time, and young people's mental health**

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

**Digitising the way to better sleep health**

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

**Russia's burgeoning HIV epidemic**

<https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lance...>

**Evolution of educational inequalities in life and health expectancies at 25 years in Belgium between 2001 and 2011: a census-based study**

<https://archpublikealth.biomedcentral.c...>

**Do cardiovascular disease prevention programs in northern Sweden impact on population health? An interrupted time series analysis**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Barriers and facilitators to adoption, implementation and sustainment of obesity prevention interventions in schoolchildren - a DEDIPAC case study**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Effect of a participative action intervention program on reducing mental retirement**

<https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**The Dynamic Work study: study protocol of a cluster randomized controlled trial of an occupational health intervention aimed at**

**reducing sitting time in office workers**

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Pertussis vaccination status and vaccine acceptance among medical students: multicenter study in Germany and Hungary**

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Do social factors and country of origin contribute towards explaining a "Latina paradox" among immigrant women giving birth in Germany?**

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Different analysis methods of Scottish and English child physical activity data explain the majority of the difference between the national prevalence estimates**

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**"Do as we say, not as we do?" the lifestyle behaviours of hospital doctors working in Ireland: a national cross-sectional study**

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

**Effect of diet with or without exercise on abdominal fat in postmenopausal women - a randomised trial**

<https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.co...>

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## **11. European Commission news**

**Digital Health - First EU Patients That Can Use e-Prescriptions in Another Country**

Finnish patients are now able to go to a pharmacy in Estonia and retrieve medicine prescribed electronically by their doctor in Finland. The initiative is part of the eHealth Digital Service Infrastructure in which patients no longer need to provide a written prescription.

[http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\\_IP-...](http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-...)

**First Regional Workshop on Antimicrobial Resistance: Cape Town, South Africa, 5-8 February 2019**

The Commission organised the first of a series of regional workshops on

antimicrobial resistance (AMR). The purpose of the training is to provide support on strategies and actions promoting and strengthening the prudent use of antimicrobials and monitoring resistance in veterinary, food safety and public health sectors, to reinforce engagement with international organisations, and intensify cooperation with the invited countries. The workshop aims to help the participants to address AMR in their own countries, thus benefitting the whole region.

<https://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/sante/news...>

### **Commissioner Andriukaitis at the Meeting of the Joint Action on Tobacco Control (Brussels, 6-7 February 2019)**

Vytenis Andriukaitis, Commissioner for Health and Food Safety, participated at the opening session of the Interim Meeting of the Joint Action on Tobacco Control (JATC) that took place on 6-7 February in Brussels with the presence of the Ingredients Subgroup of the Expert Group in Tobacco Control.

<https://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/sante/news...>

### **The Steering Group on Health Promotion, Disease Prevention and Management of Non-Communicable Diseases Holds its Second Formal Meeting**

The Steering Group on Health Promotion, Disease Prevention and Management of Non-Communicable Diseases held its second formal meeting on 14 February 2019. The Flash Report of the meeting is available [here](#).

The agenda included discussions on cooperation with the Expert Group on Health Information, progress made in the EU on the UN Sustainable Development Goals, Member States' contributions to the sustainability of Orphanet, the European portal and database for rare diseases, and their uptake of the EU Rare Diseases Registry Platform. The Steering Group also discussed possible new policy actions and exchange views on linking the European Semester to the work of the Group.

<https://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/sante/news...>

### **Factsheet published on assessing the impact of digital transformation of health services**

This factsheet summarises the newly published Opinion by the Expert Panel on Effective Ways of Investing in Health.

[https://ec.europa.eu/health/expert\\_panel...](https://ec.europa.eu/health/expert_panel...)

### **Factsheet - European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) for Health 2014-2020**

<http://europa.eu/rapid/attachment/IP-19-...>

### **Webinar: Health Promotion and Primary Prevention 15 March 2019**

Webinar on "Health Promotion and Primary Prevention in 21 European Countries - A report prepared by the CHRODIS PLUS joint action" (15 March 2019, 09.30 CET - Access code: 847 015 041 - Password: webinar2019)

<https://ecwacs.webex.com/ecwacs/j.php>

### **EU Health policy platform - a place to meet!**

The Health Policy Platform provides a place to meet, communicate and create synergies!

<https://ec.europa.eu/health/eunewsletter...>

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## **12. European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control news**

### **Eurosurveillance - Volume 24, Issue 6, 07 February 2019**

#### **Rapid communication**

[An increase in reports of acute flaccid paralysis \(AFP\) in the United Kingdom, 1 January 2018–21 January 2019: early findings](#)

#### **Research**

[Childhood vaccinations: knowledge, attitudes and practices of paediatricians and factors associated with their confidence in addressing parental concerns, Italy, 2016](#)

[Knowledge, attitudes and beliefs about vaccination in primary healthcare workers involved in the administration of systematic childhood vaccines, Barcelona, 2016/17](#)

[Timeliness and completeness of routine childhood vaccinations in young](#)

[children residing in a district with recurrent vaccine-preventable disease outbreaks, Jerusalem, Israel](#)

[Impact of rotavirus vaccination on rotavirus genotype distribution and diversity in England, September 2006 to August 2016](#)

[Genetic and antigenic characterisation of influenza A\(H3N2\) viruses isolated in Yokohama during the 2016/17 and 2017/18 influenza seasons](#)

#### **Letter**

[Where do Eritrean migrants get infected with malaria? The importance of considering the migration route](#)

#### **Eurosurveillance - Volume 24, Issue 7, 14 February 2019**

##### **Rapid communication**

[Emergence of divergent enterovirus \(EV\) D68 sub-clade D1 strains, northern Italy, September to October 2018](#)

##### **Review**

[Multidisciplinary, evidence-based consensus guidelines for human papillomavirus \(HPV\) vaccination in high-risk populations, Spain, 2016](#)

##### **Research**

[Molecular epidemiology of an enterovirus A71 outbreak associated with severe neurological disease, Spain, 2016](#)

[Cost-effectiveness and budget effect of pre-exposure prophylaxis for HIV-1 prevention in Germany from 2018 to 2058](#)

[Pertactin-deficient \*Bordetella pertussis\* isolates: evidence of increased circulation in Europe, 1998 to 2015](#)

#### **Eurosurveillance - Volume 24, Issue 8, 21 February 2019**

##### **Rapid communication**

[Interim 2018/19 influenza vaccine effectiveness: six European studies, October 2018 to January 2019](#)

[Genetic relatedness of ceftriaxone-resistant and high-level azithromycin resistant \*Neisseria gonorrhoeae\* cases, United Kingdom and Australia, February to April 2018](#)

##### **Outbreaks**

[Analysis of exotic squirrel trade and detection of human infections with variegated squirrel bornavirus 1, Germany, 2005 to 2018](#)

##### **Surveillance**

[Tracking Rift Valley fever: From Mali to Europe and other countries, 2016](#)

[Paediatric haemolytic uraemic syndrome related to Shiga toxin-producing \*Escherichia coli\*, an overview of 10 years of surveillance in France, 2007 to 2016](#)

##### **Research**

[Implementation and evaluation of the human papillomavirus \(HPV\) vaccination pilot for men who have sex with men \(MSM\), England, April 2016 to March 2017](#)

[No evidence of carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae in stool samples of 1,544 asylum seekers arriving in Rhineland-Palatinate.](#)

## 13. WHO news

### **WHO symposium on the future of digital health systems**

The Symposium, held on 6-8 February 2019, in Copenhagen, Denmark, brought together evidence and experience to show how governments and organizations can adopt digital health to reduce inequalities and improve the health and well-being of populations.

<http://www.euro.who.int/en/media-centre/...>

### **Measles in Europe: record number of both sick and immunized**

More children in the WHO European Region are being vaccinated against measles than ever before; but progress has been uneven between and within countries, leaving increasing clusters of susceptible individuals unprotected, and resulting in a record number of people affected by the virus in 2018. In light of measles data for the year 2018 released today, WHO urges European countries to target their interventions to those places and groups where immunization gaps persist. According to monthly country reports for January to December 2018 (received as of 01 February 2019), 82 596 people in 47 of 53 countries contracted measles. The total number of people infected with the virus in 2018 was the highest this decade: 3 times the total reported in 2017 and 15 times the record low number of people affected in 2016.

<http://www.euro.who.int/en/media-centre/...>

### **Towards a digital health roadmap for the WHO European Region**

How can countries in the Region design and invest in digital innovations that strengthen health systems to achieve better health for all? More than 300 decision-makers, policy experts and researchers from 50 countries gathered at the WHO Symposium on the Future of Digital Health Systems on 6–8 February 2019 in Copenhagen, Denmark, to discuss the way forward. The benefits of digital health are clear. It can improve the reach, impact and efficiency of health care. It can help improve the training of the health workforce, strengthen public health surveillance, and provide

health services to remote and underserved populations.

<http://www.euro.who.int/en/health-topics...>

### **Social science training enhances community engagement in health emergencies in 11 countries of the European Region**

Under the International Health Regulations (IHR) (2005) and the Pandemic Influenza Preparedness (PIP) framework, WHO provides support to Member States to improve national capacity to engage communities through enhanced use of social science-based interventions (SSIs) before, during and after health emergencies. The SocialNET training, a global initiative of WHO, was the first of its kind in the European Region and was held in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan on 10–14 December 2018. It strengthens WHO/Europe's efforts to build skills in emergency risk communication (ERC) and community engagement as part of the ERC five-step capacity-building package..

<http://www.euro.who.int/en/health-topics...>

### **Key political commitment documents for tuberculosis prevention and care and their intended influence in the WHO European Region**

A review of the potential role and influence of political commitment in implementing endorsements and conducting policy in the field of TB prevention and care. It compares and analyzes the extent to which selected international commitments, set out between 2000 and 2018, may have translated into sustainable action. Developed in view of the United Nations high level meeting on TB held in September 2018.

<http://www.euro.who.int/en/health-topics...>

### **Meet the Venice office**

Watch the video of the Venice office.

[https://youtu.be/\\_xpaXTaY0jl](https://youtu.be/_xpaXTaY0jl)

### **The year ahead: key events for the WHO European Region in 2019**

<http://www.euro.who.int/en/about-us/regi...>



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