

Promotion, prevention and public health related topics of the Austrian EU presidency 2018

Overview of selected events in the
health field

Austrian Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Health and
Consumer Protection

Matching Health Needs and Pharmaceutical Research – research agenda for public health

September 25, 2018

A considerable share of the cost for research and development of pharmaceuticals is co-financed by public funds. A lack of knowledge of the global structure of funding by public health authorities leads to a lack of coordination, which would be necessary to actively steer research towards the area of unmet medical needs. The aim of the event was to create a platform for exchange of knowledge between national health and research administrations, universities, funds and other stakeholders. The ultimate goal is to better reflect the medical need when taking research funding decisions.

European Health Forum Gastein 2018: Health and Sustainable Development - Bold political choices for Agenda 2030

October 3-5, 2018

Since its foundation in 1998 the European Health Forum Gastein (EHFG) conference has developed into a key annual event, bringing together politicians, senior decision-makers, representatives of interest groups, and experts in the field of public health and healthcare in order to discuss and shape the future of European health policy. In the framework of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) of the United Nations Agenda 2030, the EHFG 2018 focused on health in the EU and challenged participants and session partners to explore how all of them can contribute to reaching the SDG targets, safeguarding health and advancing sustainable development.

Healthcare responses to public health challenges: Organizational strategies for improving health literacy, tackling antimicrobial resistance and supporting vulnerable groups

Joint meeting of Chief Medical, Nursing and Dental Officers

November 12-13, 2018

Healthcare and public health are often understood as separate spheres. Taking into account WHO-Europe's recent resolution on advancing public health for sustainable development in the WHO European Region, the European commission's steering group on health promotion, disease prevention and management of non-communicable diseases, and achievements and experiences of European countries, the meeting will discuss why a stronger interconnection of both realms can at the same time benefit the health of the public and improve the quality of healthcare. There will be four main themes: strengthening health literacy, tackling the rise in antimicrobial resistances, reaching vulnerable groups with adequate healthcare services, and systematically developing healthcare systems' and organizations' capacity to respond to the aforementioned challenges.

People's food - people's health: Towards healthy and sustainable European Food Systems"

November 22nd – 23rd, 2018

Dietary factors and the supply of healthy food are crucial elements to tackle the NCD burden: 60 Million People in Europe suffer from diabetes, 55% of European adults are overweight or obese. Two thirds of premature deaths are caused by just four major NCDS (cardiovascular disease, diabetes, cancer and chronic respiratory disease) in Europe. These developments challenge governments, communities and individuals with increased health care expenditures, reduced work force capacities and environmental burdens.

Healthy and sustainable Food Systems are part of the solution. They will not only contribute to better health and wellbeing of citizens but also benefit our natural environments and economies. The conference aims to facilitate dialogue between all relevant stakeholders in the food system. Promising multi-sectorial practices in the food system will be a main focus. A healthy and sustainable diet must become available, affordable, acceptable and appealing for all.

European Antibiotic Awareness Day Symposium

16.11.2018

The focus will be on topics of common interest for human and veterinary health.

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attention!

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