Health Systems and Services in International Comparison





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Goal

Based on the WHO framework on health systems performance, this module allows participants to review, discuss and analyse selected health policy issues in Switzerland and to compare health systems and services of countries in Europe, Africa and Asia.

Upon completing the course, you will be able to

- have acquainted the performance framework of health systems and main conceptual elements of this framework and apply the performance framework to current health policy issues in Switzerland
- review, analyse and compare experiences in health system reform and strengthening in countries of Europe, Africa and Asia
- analyse and outline Swiss health policy issues in the light of international experiences

Contents

WHO framework on health systems performance. Emphasis is given on four of the main elements of the performance framework in the Swiss context

- Stewardship/governance
- Health information and evidence for decision-making
- Organisation and provision of services, resource planning, allocation and decentralisation
- Human resources for health

We will apply the performance framework of health systems and the main conceptual elements of this framework such as governance, human resources, financing and health information from a systems-thinking perspective and relate them to emerging topics such as health service organisation. Participants will be able to critically review and apply the framework to current health systems and policy issues on the one hand and will be able to review, analyse and compare experiences in health systems strengthening and health system reform in countries in Europe, Africa, and Asia on the other. Critical elements such as governance, information and human resources will be related to the performance and expected outcomes of health systems.

Methods

Prior to the course module participants have to read and prepare a case study on one of the four elements of the above mentioned performance framework. The case studies will focus on current Swiss policy and reform issues and relate them to the broader, international context and experiences of other countries. The 3-days course will then consist of:

- Introductory lectures on the performance framework for health systems
- Presentation of current health policy options and Swiss, European and international health system changes/reforms
- Interactive work in plenary and group work

After the three course days the participants have to work on and finalise their respective case study.

Exam

Case study written up at home

Preparation and postprocessing

12 hours preparation, 12 hours postprocessing

ECTS Credits

2 ECTS Credits

Target audience

Public health specialists, medical doctors, economists, epidemiologists and social scientists interested in health system and service planning and management

Requirements

required are:

- «Gesundheitsrecht» (B301.30)
- «Gesundheitspolitik» (B302.30)
- «Ökonomische Evaluation im Gesundheitswesen» (B304.30)

Organisation

Schweizerisches Tropen- und Public Health-Institut, Basel Universität Basel

Coordination of course

Prof. Dr. Kaspar Wyss, Schweizerisches Tropen- und Public Health-Institut, Basel

Lecturers and tutors

Prof. Dr. Kaspar Wyss, PD Dr. Fabrizio Tediosi and Dr. Xavier Bosch-Capblanch, Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute, Basel

Dates

28 to 30 August 2019

Location

Basel

Fees

Fr. 1600.-

Registration deadline

28 June 2019