

Research committee „Sociology of Health“

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Conferences 2009

- Co-organiser of and active participation at the German-speaking conference with our German and Austrian colleagues in sociology of health and medicine. „Pflegebedürftig“ in der „Gesundheitsgesellschaft“. Langzeitbetreuung und Pflege im Spannungsfeld neuer Bewältigungsstrategien. 26.-28. März 2009, Halle Germany.
- Workshop on “Identity and chronic illness” at the conference “Identity and lifestyles transformations” of the Swiss Sociological Society, September 7-9, 2009 at University of Geneva.

Regional groups 2009

The Geneva group regularly organises talks and discussions in the area of interest to sociology of health and medicine.

Activities of board

- We met once this year in Berne.
- As every year we regularly distributed information by email on scientific meetings or job vacancies in areas relevant to us. We have about 100 registered members on our mailing list. Our members work at Swiss universities (of applied sciences) as well as other health institutions and come from the whole area of Switzerland. Anyone interested in health topics can become a member of our committee and register for the mailing list. For distributing information on the mailing list or for registering as a member – please contact us (page@zhaw.ch).

Planned activities 2010

- Start organising our traditional conference with our Austrian and German colleagues planned for 2012 in Switzerland (suggested topic: medical professions).
- Institutionalise our advisory board (links on homepage, define communication concept)

Co-ordination

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