

EACLPP Workgroup meeting June 26th 15.30-17.00 hours

1) REPORT FROM FRANCIS CREED ON PROGRESS SINCE THE LAST MEETING

a) Status of our document– this has grown in length and is still incomplete but it has become so long that it will become a book not a document for healthcare planners

The short document drawn up by Peter Henningsen will be used.

b) Brief report on DKPM session in Mainz: At DKPM an audience of nearly 40 people determined which aspects of our report would be most likely to persuade healthcare planners to improve healthcare for patients with medically unexplained symptoms/somatisation.

Current high healthcare costs and evidence of effective treatment for MUS/somatisation were considered to be the two most important reasons. Evidence of unmet need and the production of guidelines were considered to be the next two most persuasive reasons; improving terminology was not thought to be important in this respect (though it is likely to be very important in other respects).

c) Feedback from Manchester Meeting on Terminology (May 5th 2009)

Draft report being prepared.

2) PRESENTATIONS AND FREE DISCUSSION ON SERVICES

- 15.40 pm Jef de Bie on services in his area of Belgium
- 16.00 pm Per on his tertiary referral service in Denmark
- 16.20 pm Christina van der Feltz on the effect of psychiatric consultation in the primary care setting for patients with medically unexplained symptoms
- 16.40 pm Psychosomatic service in Germany – speaker to be confirmed.

3) At the end of the meeting.....

Opportunity to give feedback to Francis on the paper in Journal of Psychosomatic Research

*** “The proposed diagnosis of somatic symptom disorders in DSM-V to replace somatoform disorders in DSM-IV--a preliminary report”. Dimsdale J, Creed F; DSM-V Workgroup on Somatic Symptom Disorders. J Psychosom Res. 2009 Jun;66(6):473-6. Epub 2009 Apr 16**

* This copy of JPR will be in your EACLPP conference pack