Educating health professionals for tomorrow's global healthcare systems - the role of universities

October 16-17, 2014, in Lund, Sweden

Health professionals in the 21st century need professional, scientific and management skills. They must understand the complex interplays of factors affecting health in today's world and be able to contribute to the development of the knowledge society and medical research. In addition to provide care to the patients they meet, they need to be able to promote health through addressing the complex global interdependencies affecting health worldwide. They must be prepared for life-long learning and able to use modern technologies to reach learning outcomes.

Since focus in tomorrow's healthcare will be on systems performance, cooperation within health care teams and with other societal stakeholders will be fundamental. The planning of health service delivery must also include a system point of view, looking at the competencies required and not only at different professions. This seminar, organized in collaboration between Lund university and Karolinska Institutet in Stockholm, with support from Kungliga Vetenskapsakademin (KVA) and Inter Academy Medical Panel (IAMP), therefore approaches all healthcare professions educations, to learn together. It is a follow-up of the Nobel Forum conference "Educating Health Professionals for the new century". The seminar will build on recent publications and documents and use short inspiration lectures from prominent speakers to introduce subjects for further thematic group discussions. It will work towards action plans for universities to meet the needs of tomorrow's global society. In addition to leaders, faculty and students from universities in the Nordic countries, professional organisations and societal stakeholders will be invited to share and contribute.

Topics will include, among others

- Core competencies
- Social accountability of medical education
- Human resources for health
- New ways of "knowledge mobility"
- The patient of the future
- Future learning environments
- Person focused health promotion
- Patient safety
- The ageing population and healthcare

A core program and information about registration will be available in the beginning of 2014. At that time, further planning and selected reading for those who register will be available on the Conference website. Until then questions can be directed to Stefan.Lindgren@med.lu.se

Welcome to Lund in October 2014! Please mark the dates in your calendars!

On behalf of the Organizing Committee

Stefan Lindgren Professor, Lund University







