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Dear colleagues,
Dear friends and readers,

This newsletter reports on our miscellaneous efforts for our young academics:

By the implementation of specially trained simulation patients we were able to test an innovative teaching method at our institute.

The successful rotation programme for physicians in vocational training on general practice and family medicine at UKJ has attracted many people. In cooperation with the Thuringian State Chamber of Physicians and the Association of Statutory Health Insurance Physicians of Thuringia we could develop and launch a sustainable concept for Thuringia.

The study MultiCare shows that we take an active part in the research on general practice and family medicine. This study will supply us with research data on the important treatment of multi-morbid patients.

During our first research meeting with scientific cooperation partners we were able to discuss the above and quite a number of other research topics.

Thusly we look forward to a very successful new year.

But beforehand I sincerely thank you for the lively communications and successful cooperation. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

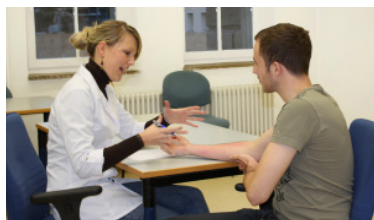
Best regards,
Yours

Prof. Dr. Jochen Gensichen

Simulation patients in vocational training on general practice and family medicine

Communicative skills play a major role during an anamnesis interview. Tutorial interviews with simulation patients support learning students to acquire the techniques of conducting a conversation. Simulation patients are lay-actors which have studied certain disease patterns or consultation motives. Often they can better observe than patients who are usually preoccupied with their illness. The students get a structured feedback from the simulation patients.

In our pilot study 16 students received such training. We analyzed the change of their communicative competences and ascertained that improvements could be achieved. The results from the study suggest that students are able to learn by means of simulation patients, thus being better prepared for the daily routine in surgery. Moreover the students will be sensitized to specific conflict situations.



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Research meeting on general practice and family medicine in Jena

On 2nd and 3rd November 2009 we were for the first time able to discuss potential research projects with our scientific cooperation partner Michael von Korff from Seattle/USA. New ideas and their implementation could be tried out and scrutinised. This exchange will considerably increase the quality of our research. A lecture on epidemiological questions on pain completed the inspiring meeting.

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„Reshape the future of Thuringia – Joint promotion of young physicians“

On October 28, 2009 we presented the results of our research on the GP-perspectives of medical students at Jena university. 21% of the last semester students can imagine a future as general practitioner. But they also referred to the barriers like bureaucratic efforts, financial uncertainties and missing professional attendance during vocational training. The Thuringian State Chamber of Physicians, the Association of Statutory Health Insurance Physicians of Thuringia and the Thuringian Ministry of Social Affairs, Family and Health have in cooperation with our institute agreed upon a concept for a scheduled vocational training. For its realisation the ‘Thuringian network for the promotion of young academics on general practice and family medicine’ has been founded. Details can be taken from our homepage.

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MultiCare

For this study on the research of multi-morbidity 247 patients aged from 65 to 85 from 10 GP's surgeries in Thuringia were interviewed from September 2008 to June 2009. Hence the baseline survey has been successfully completed. First evaluation results are expected before long. At this point we like to express our thanks to both the patients and the participating GP's surgeries for their cooperation. The first consecutive survey will take place 15 months after the baseline survey. Preparations have already started so that the interviews can commence in November 2009.

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