

Analysis of social determinants of health and health inequities - a multicountry event on approaches and policy

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KISH findings on social determinants of health and health related behaviour

Routine monitoring of health inequity and the social determinants of health as well as evaluation of health equity impact of policy and programs are critical to improving health. Despite decades of effort there is still a gap in research capacity and data availability which are basic conditions to fulfil this task. More than 10 year lasted collaboration between University of Groningen and University of PJ Safarik in Kosice significantly contribute to establishment of research program focused on social determinants of health including sustainable research capacity building, networking and bridging research and policy. KISH findings on social determinants of health and health related behaviour as well as several possible analytical strategies will be presented.

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