

EuroNet MRPH: Networking Opportunities for Public Health Medical Residents

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Background:

The European Network of Medical Residents in Public Health (EuroNet MRPH) is a non-profit, international, independent and non-governmental network of national associations of public health residents around Europe.

Objectives:

To describe the results accomplished by EuroNet MRPH and to show networking opportunities provided to medical residents in public health (MRPH) from 2011 to 2021.

Results:

EuroNet's mission is to improve and facilitate connection between MRPH, to promote pan-European Research, and to facilitate international mobility. Digital and quarterly face-to-face meetings are used as a way of communication. Since 2011, 10 European MRPH associations and 4 individual members have joined the network, representing the UK, France, Spain, Italy, Portugal, Ireland, the Netherlands, Croatia, Slovenia, Turkey, Malta, Poland, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Austria. In this period, 27 face-to-face meetings have been organised, promoting cooperation and exchanging of ideas between MRPH. Moreover, three working groups (WG) have been established, focusing on research, internships, and communication. Regarding research, studies about e-cigarettes, conflicts of interest, and the impact of COVID-19 on mental health of MRPH have been conducted. When it comes to internships, more than 20 possible destinations and an online form are available on our website, providing MRPH information and support. Finally, thanks to the communication WG, 20 newsletters have been published, sharing experiences and thoughts from members of the network. Moreover, EuroNet has an established presence in social media, with active accounts in Twitter, Instagram and Facebook, where public health information and opportunities for young professionals are promoted.

Conclusions:

In the last ten years, EuroNet MRPH has actively promoted networking opportunities among European Medical Residents in Public Health.

Key messages:

- Enhancing international cooperation among young public health professionals is fundamental in order to face current and future public health challenges.
- EuroNet MRPH represents a useful tool to promote collaboration among young public health professionals.