Conference Abstract

Implementation and assessment of social and health local partnerships for integrated care in Catalonia

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Abstract

Integrated health and social care is emerging as a trending area of interest in the governmental policy agenda in Europe. Most governments are facing great challenge to overcome barriers to facilitate Integrated Care between health and social services. Integrated care has been in the health policy agenda but new challenges should be coped regarding the incorporation of social services, especially for the persons with complex chronic condition with health and social needs. Although this integration improves both health and social care systems, it is a difficult task to get both groups to work together due to different factors.

Early this year, the Government of Catalonia issued a new Integrated Health and Social Care Plan to promote, lead and participate in the transformation of the social and health care model to achieve person-centred full integrated care and so to deliver holistic care to high-cost, high-need citizens in order to help to lower costs, enhance quality of care, and improve outcomes.

During this session it will be shortly presented the journey from the Chronic Condition Prevention and Care Program to the new Integrated Health and Social Care Plan in Catalonia, but it’s going to be focused specifically on the implementation strategy through Local Partnerships.

9 of this Local Partnerships Implementation Projects have been assessed by the Catalan Agency for Quality in Health and Assessment so we can present and discuss the results of this evaluation about:
- Structure and functioning of experiences identified that include a collaborative model (mainly: social services and primary care services).
- Barriers and facilitators of collaborative models.
- Perceived benefits and expected results and areas for improvement.
- Propose a conceptual model of assessment and possible common pool of indicators.
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