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Wennberg International Collaborative 2023 Fall Meeting

Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies in Pisa, Italy | Sept 13-15

Addressing Unwarranted Variation in Healthcare

MEETING AGENDA

Conference venue

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Agenda



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September 13 – 15, 2023

Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies Pisa, Italy

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

2023 Fall Research Meeting – Day 1

Location: Aula Magna

Pre-Conference Lunch

Location: Courtyard of the ancient well

from 1:00 PM Pre-Conference Lunch

Welcome & Logistics

Location: Aula Magna

1:45 - 2:15 PM Registration

2:15 – 2:30 PM Welcome Day 1

Sabina Nuti, David Goodman and Gwyn Bevan

Research Session 1 - Economics

Organized by: Zynep Or and Jostein Grytten

2:30 – 2:35 PM	Welcome to Session Zynep Or, Jostein Grytten
2:35 – 2:50 PM	Productivity Variation and Input Misallocation: Evidence from Hospitals (USA) <i>Jon Skinner</i>
2:50 – 3:05 PM	Regional variation in mental healthcare utilization and suicide: Evidence from movers in Australia (Australia) <i>Dennis Petrie</i>
3:05 – 3:20 PM	The role of primary care in healthcare (USA) Stuart Craig

3:20 – 3:35 PM	The impact of maternity ward closures on infant health outcomes, maternal outcomes and delivery procedures in Norway (Norway) **Astrid de Linde**
3:35 – 3:50 PM	Discussion
3:50 – 4:00 PM	Break

Research Session 2 - Warranted and unwarranted variation in the COVID-19 pandemic

Organized by: Sabina Nuti and Milena Vainieri

4:00 – 4:05 PM	Welcome to Session Sabina Nuti and Milena Vainieri
4:05 – 4:20 PM	Managing equity in chronic disease: setting priorities to reduce unwarranted variation in outpatient cardiovascular care <i>Vera Benedetto</i>
4:20 – 4:35 PM	The impact of Covid-19 on the Ambulatory Care-Sensitive Conditions (ACSC) in the Italian Province of Bolzano <i>Mirko Bonetti</i>
4:35 – 4:50 PM	Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on numbers of people registered with dementia in primary care and unwarranted variation in this and during recovery <i>Julia Verne</i>
4:50 – 5:05 PM	How the rate of elective surgeries has changed due to Covid-19's impact: a district level analysis in three regional health systems in Italy <i>Francesca Ferré</i>
5:05 – 5:20 PM	Impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the preoperative and surgical pathway of women with malignant breast cancer in the Lazio region (central Italy) <i>Margherita Ferranti</i>
5:20 – 5:35 PM	Discussion
5:35 PM	Adjourn

Social events

Location: Piazza del Duomo, Pisa

5:45 PM Meeting in front of Sant'Anna School – walk to the Piazza
 6:30 – 7:30 PM Guided tour of the Cathedral and the Camposanto
 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM Aperitivo at the Museum's Cafe

Thursday, September 14, 2023

2023 Fall Research Meeting – Day 2

Location: Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies - Aula Magna

Pre-Conference Breakfast

Location: Courtyard of the ancient well

from 8:00 AM Pre-Conference Breakfast

Welcome

Location: Aula Magna

9:00 – 9:10 AM Welcome Day 2

Gwyn Bevan

Research Health Services and Regions

9:10 – 9:25 AM Journal progress report

Camilla Gonzatto da Silva

Research Session 3 - Novel data and data linkage methods for health care evaluation

Organized by: Therese Stukel

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9:25 – 9:30 PM	Welcome to Session Therese Stukel
9:30 – 9:45 AM	Population Data Science research at Swansea University - Using data to support research & impact on services and people. **Ashley Akbari**
9:45 – 10:00 AM	Using linked, administrative data to assess variation in health, education and social care services for children with chronic health conditions: the ECHILD database <i>Ruth Gilbert</i>
10:00 – 10:15 AM	OHDSI: a new approach for observational studies using big data <i>Therese Stukel</i>
10:15 – 10:40 AM	Discussion
10:40 – 10:55 AM	Break

Research Session 4 - Perinatal care research

Organized by: David Goodman

10:55 – 11:00 PM	Welcome to Session David Goodman
11:00 – 11:15 AM	Perinatal Mortality and Transport Delivery in Similar Populations with different hospital volumes and travel times <i>Andreas Asheim</i>
11:15 – 11:30 AM	The association between regional growth in U.S. neonatal intensive care capacity and neonatal mortality from 1991 to 2019 <i>Gwen Gasper</i>
11:30 – 11:45 AM	Explaining practice variation in induction of labor: the role of women <i>Anne Brabers</i>
11:45 AM – 12:00 PM	Variation and predictive factors of vaginal birth after caesarean in Tuscany: a retrospective study from regional administrative health data <i>Amerigo Ferrari</i>
12:00 – 12:15 PM	Unexplained geographical variation in epilepsy admissions and diagnosis among children and young people across England <i>Rakhee Shah</i>
12:15 – 12:30 PM	Discussion

Poster session & social lunch

Location: Courtyard of the ancient well

12:30 – 1:30 PM Poster session

1:30 – 2:30 PM Social lunch

Research Session 5 - The future of atlases as a means to evaluate and inform health change

Organized by: David Goodman

2:30 – 2:35 PM	Welcome to the Session <i>David Goodman</i>
2:35 – 2:45 PM	Australia <i>Gillian Giles</i>
2:45 – 2:55 PM	England <i>Julia Verne</i>

2:55 – 3:05 PM	Norway Eva Stensland
3:05 – 3:15 PM	Dartmouth Atlas (USA) Kristy Bronner
3:15 – 3:25 PM	Opportunities for measurement of health care in low-income countries: Nigeria as an example <i>Chidalu Mbonu</i>
3:25 – 3:55 PM	Discussion
3:55 – 4:20 PM	Break

General session

Moderated by: Gwyn Bevan

4:20 – 4:35 PM	Classical and Complementary strategies to reduce unwarranted variation. A philosophical-ethical exploration of the Normative Practice Model (NPM) <i>Stef Groenewoud</i>
4:35 – 4:50 PM	Analyzing regional variation in health care utilization and quality in Germany: Initial results using a new population-based classification system (PopGrouper) <i>Chrissa Tsatsaronis</i>
4:50 – 5:05 PM	Best practices in care pathway performance management: what opportunities? <i>Maria Francesca Furmenti</i>
5:05 – 5:20 PM	Unwarranted variation in referral threshold: Impact of altering referral threshold from out-of-hours primary care to hospital on patient safety and further health service use: a cohort study <i>Ellen Rabben Svedahl</i>
5:20 – 5:35 PM	Discussion
5:35 PM	Adjourn

Social Dinner

Location: Bagni di Pisa Palace, San Giuliano Terme

6:30 PM Meeting point in front of Sant'Anna School and transfer by bus

7:15 – 10:00 PM Dinner

Friday, September 15, 2023

2023 Fall Research Meeting – Day 3

Location: Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies - Aula Magna

Pre-Conference Breakfast

Location: Courtyard of the ancient well

from 8:00 AM Pre-Conference Breakfast

Welcome

Location: Aula Magna

9:00 – 9:05 AM Welcome Day 3

Sabina Nuti

Discussion

Break

Research Session 6 - Systemic causes and remedies to unwarranted variation

Organized by: Gwyn Bevan

10:25 – 10:40 AM

10:40 - 10:50 AM

Organized by: Gwyn Bevan	
9:05 – 9:10 AM	Welcome to the Session Gwyn Bevan
9:10 – 9:25 AM	A research challenge: Do acute care facilities in front of emergency departments relief emergency care or induce additional demand? <i>Dominik von Stillfried</i>
9:25 – 9:40 AM	Developing a National Value Based Health and Care Strategy for Scotland. Catherine Labinjoh
9:40 – 9:55 AM	Reducing low-value healthcare in specialist health services in Norway a systematic approach <i>Eva Stensland</i>
9:55 – 10:10 AM	Unveiling variation in elective surgeries through user-friendly data presentation. Insights from Tuscany region <i>Alessia Caputo</i>
10:10 – 10:25 AM	Identifying and realizing potential to release resources from unwarranted variations in back pain to improve the health of the population of Mid Nottinghamshire <i>Gwyn Bevan</i>

General session

Moderated by: Sabina Nuti

10:50 – 11:05 AM	How does ending of a general practitioner relation impact patients' health care use and mortality? A national registry cohort study in Norway, 2008 to 2021. **Kristin Hestmann Vinjerui**
11:05 – 11:20 AM	Norwegian Health Care Atlas for Myocardial Infarction Haji Kedir Bedane
11: 20 - 11:35 AM	Pat2Vec: A machine-learning framework for patient-based, healthcare-relevant prediction tasks <i>Edger Steiger</i>
11:35 – 11:55 AM	Multispecialty physician networks for chronic care: performance and cost assessment using data from Tuscany <i>Sofia Longhi</i>
11:55 AM – 12:10 PM	Exploring variation in timely reperfusion treatment in ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction in Norway *Bård Uleberg**
12:10 – 12:25 PM	Discussion
12:25 – 12:35 PM	Conference wrap up
12:35 PM	Adjourn

Conference final lunch

Location: Courtyard of the ancient well