Gather and act for public health

Société française de santé publique
French Public Health Society
An association recognized of public utility which gathers the actors of public health:

- More than 600 members
- and more than 70 legal entities (local and regional associations, national federations or associations, local authorities, professional associations or trade unions)
- Monthly meeting of the association board
- 4 meetings of the board of directors of the association
- 6 workers for 5.2 ETP reduced to 4 on June 2018.

Our vocation: To provide a framework and means for collective and interprofessional reflection
Five key missions

- Be a platform of exchanges
- Organize debates
- Produce expertises
- Promote knowledge transfer
- Influence public policies
Expertise in public health

Monitoring, capitalization and expertise in public health
- Building a tool sharing capitalization of data from the experience
- Analysis of local policies on physical activities: adaptation of the Hepa-Pat tool for local level.

Debate

Debate issues to accompany health policies
- Seminar on support for parentality and fight against social health inequities
- Sustainable Development Goals: what are the changes for public health professionnels?

Continuing professional development

European Public Health Conference (EPH 2019)
Ours missions

Representation and position statements

- Parliamentary hearing on Health prevention for young people
- Participation to the steering Committee of the Health Service
- Participation to the National Steering Committee for Neonatal Screening
- Participation on discussion on immunization
- Participation to the national sport and health strategy
- Participation to a working group on setting up a prevention consultation for women at 25
- Alcohol, the president and the nagging question of public health. Tribune, Le Monde
- Reminder of public health commitment to abortion in the context of a gynecologist's strike

Evolution of the SFSP

Following the audit conducted in 2017, three working groups were set up:
- one on the economic model of the SFSP,
- one on governance
- one on the journal Santé publique.
Communication & Watch

- **Flash email**: weekly e-newsletter
- **Website**: thematic folders, ads, etc.
  
  www.sfsp.fr
- **On twitter**: @SFSPasso et @SFSPinter

Publishing

- **Public health**: scientific journal, crossroads of public health practices: researchers, actors and decision-makers
- **Its originality**: Accompaniment to writing
- **Health Collection Society**: Symposium Proceedings
**Lessons**

**Soft power/Adversarial approach**

- Adversarial approach need to evaluate the risk for the association, depends on diversity of fundings
- SFSP turns to « soft power » to influence policy without going to compromise

- The challenge to lobby is to get along with the partners, but working with others is difficult. You have to accept compromises alcohol and
- Beyond the scientific argumentation if we want to influence politics, we have to tell them a story that makes sense.

**Visible actions/Avoid mistakes**

What does SFSP do?

Visible actions are easy to explain to members but others actions?
The challenge of internal communication because we must interest our members
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