



Highlighting professional judgement in evaluation of public health work

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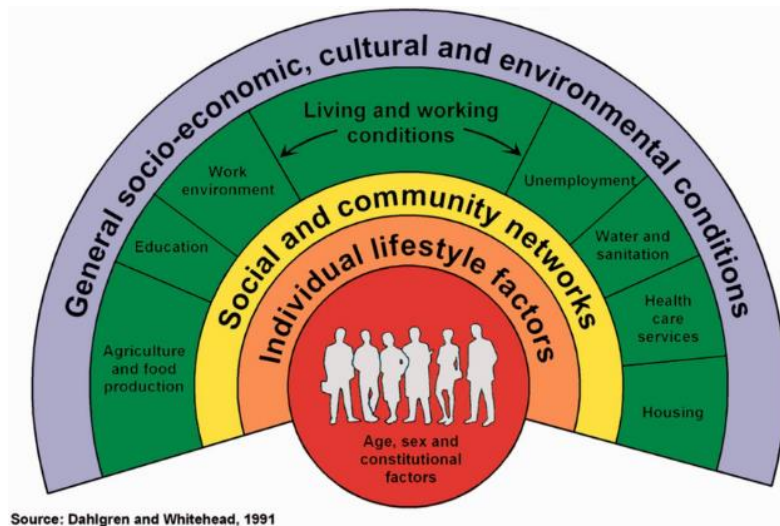
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- Focus on health equity
- Community outreach

Local networks: City of Gothenburg, sport clubs, schools, health centers, family centers, meeting points for elderly, religious organizations.



Why include professional reflection in evaluation of health promotion?

- To increase understanding of complex processes
- To optimize use of tax-payers money.

'What happens when we limit our understanding of reason to a calculating competence?'

Professor Jonna Bornemark
The Limits of Ratio: An Analysis of NPM in Sweden
Using Nicholas of Cusa's Understanding of Reason
[Metric Culture](#)
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Formative and summative evaluation

- Theory-based practice
- Make use of situational knowledge and professional judgment
- Continuous self-reflection
- Implications for method development
- Document and reflect in the team
- Avoid "empowerment"



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Health Equilibrium Methodology

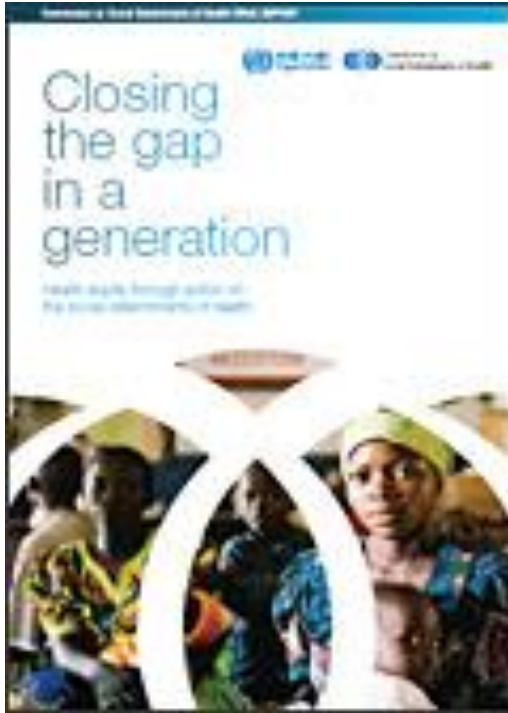


From the documentation of 2020

- Our team conducted 42 meetings with the public, mostly digital or outdoors. (N for 2019=75).
- Advice and support, tailored from perspectives and needs presented, were communicated with residents. Perspectives from residents were communicated with authorities.
- 750 people participated (550 women, 200 men)
- Most of the meetings were about corona-virus (themes: contagion, Swedish strategy, immunization). Other issues were tobacco, preschool-dietician and biking school for adults.
- Obstacles for participation were the digital form and language problems

Some of our reflections with implications for future work

During the pandemic parents of newborns have lost opportunities for support due to cancelled open-preschool activities.	Prepare for increased need of support
Talk about "common female experience" may function as exclusionary	Reflect on how to avoid being exclusionary while strengthening group-identity
The digital format is problematic for some people (poverty, crowded living, difficult to "speak out") but has opened new possibilities for others to discuss health related issues.	Reflect upon form for meetings in the future and on ways to facilitate participation via digital format
Some partnerships have been strengthened and new ones have been formed.	Keep networks alive and use our common learnings to further develop work to decrease health gaps



"Yes, as we academics are fond of saying, we need more research.

But we also need more social action on the basis of the knowledge we have."

Marmot, M. (2001)

Introduction.

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(Marmot, M. and Wilkinson, R. eds.)

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