The 2018 survey among the members of the UArctic Thematic Network “Health and Well-being in the Arctic”

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Survey for the members in 2018: Part 1

Survey was created in the platform SurveyMonkey. 3 weeks response collection, from mid-January through the first week of February 2018. It consisted of 3 main part, the first one is to know who we are and that’s what I will report you in the next couple of slides.
UArctic Health TN members at a glance

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Count of Institutions by Country:

- Canada: 3
- Denmark: 2
- Finland: 4
- Greenland: 1
- Russia: 4
- Sweden: 2
- The USA: 1
Who we are
Survey for the members in 2018: Part 2

The second part of the survey was to find out research interests of the network and activities to which the members was involved.
Keywords of the Health TN research
Involvement the UArctic Thematic Network “Health and Well-being in the Arctic

Challenge:
One third of respondents do not have active involvement in Health TN

Active involvement:
- Management: former leader, lead, vice-lead
- Teaching: have co-taught courses on community based participatory research in the North; organising PhD courses of the network; faculty for summer institutes
- Research: joint projects concerning environmental health, published in the materials of the UArctic Congress 2016, ICCH16
- Learning: student in summer schools, got the mobility grants for learning: First Exchange Grant, Barents Plus
Survey for the members in 2018: Part 3
Priority research areas: I - III

I. Women and children

- Pregnant women lifestyle & health
- Breast Cancer Risk Health before and after diagnosis
- Women’s health and well-being in the Arctic region
- Health issues in children's population of the Arctic regions

II. Elderly people

- Gender dimension regarding health and well-being of the elderly
- Ageing and demography

III. Indigenous people

- The study of the health of indigenous peoples of the North
- CBPR and Indigenous Methodologies and integration of these methods with western science
- Public health, reconciliation with Indigenous peoples across the circumpolar Arctic
# Priority research areas: IV - VII

## IV. Environment related
- Transfer of pollutants along food chain towards man
- The influence of nutrition on the health of the residents of the Arctic zone
- The influence of smoking on the health of the residents of the Arctic zone
- Climate change and health
- Human movement and health in winter communities

## V. Health care
- Personalized medicine in the Arctic
- Health care and health status of people living in rural areas of Arctic regions

## VI. Multidiscipline
- Network between the Arctic Universities in Arctic health and wellbeing
- Multidisciplinary research projects on circumpolar health, together with social sciences
- Providing lifelong learning in remote areas
- Medical-social problems of the inhabitants of the Arctic
- Socio-psychological adaptation

## VII. Other highlights
- Health equity and human rights
- Infectious diseases
- Resilience
- Participatory research, ethics, health communication
Points for members discussions

• “Be great to think about 'anchor' projects that we could work on together for 'early wins’”
• “Opportunities to apply for joint grants to develop the TN for financial support the participation of joint events”
• “Grant resources and potential areas of collaboration”
• Funding for joint PhD courses in the years to come