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Press release (Danish)

Hvordan finder sundhedsprofessionelle fra forskellige sektorer og fag sammen om at give ældre patienter med multisygdom et sammenhængende behandlingsforløb? Et nyt ph.d.-projekt fra Aarhus Universitet, Health.

Projektet er gennemført af sygeplejerske, MHS Anne Bendix Andersen, der forsvaret det d. 14/9

Anne Bendix har undersøgt, hvordan sundhedsprofessionelles samarbejde fungerer på tværs af sundhedssektorerne - dels på papiret, dels i virkeligheden.

Afsættet er en kritisk diskursanalyse af "Sundhedsaftalen for Region Midtjylland 2015-2018", som er det politisk-administrative grundlag for rollefordeling og samarbejde på tværs af sundhedssektorerne. Anne Bendix har desuden gennemført feltobservationer, hvor hun har fulgt ti ældre patienter med flere kroniske lidelser fra deres indlæggelse på en akutafdeling og i deres videre møder med sundhedsprofessionelle i eget hjem, under genoptræning, ved konsultationer hos praktiserende læge eller på ambulatorier. Desuden har hun fulgt sundhedsprofessionelle i hjemmesygepleje, almen praksis og kommunal rehabilitering.

Anne Bendix konkluderer, at det tværsektorielle samarbejde fremstår som fjerne relationer mellem fagpersoner, hvor strukturelle og/eller kulturelle forhold påvirker og besværliggør arbejdet med at skabe sammenhængende behandlingsforløb for den enkelte patient. Det drejer sig særligt om politiske krav til at skabe effektive og hurtige patientforløb; om tilpasning af patientens situation til de elektroniske kommunikationsredskabers formater – og om diagnosticering som en altoverskyggende aktivitet, der medvirker til en forenkling af patienternes situation.

Forsvaret af ph.d.-projektet er offentligt og finder sted den 14/9-18 på Regionshospitalet Viborg lokale 22, etage 3, Heibergs Allé 4, 8800 Viborg. Titlen på projektet er "The Puzzle of Coherence - An Ethnographically Inspired Study of Intersectoral Collaboration in the Danish Healthcare System".

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How do health professionals from various sectors in the Danish healthcare system work together to create coherent pathways for elderly patients with multimorbidity? A new PhD study from Aarhus University, Health.

Press release (English)

Anne Bendix explored how health professionals collaborate across sectors in the Danish healthcare system.

The point of departure for the study was a critical discourse analysis of the policy paper 'the Health Agreement for The Central Denmark region 2015-2018'. This policy function as the political and organisational policy for the collaboration between the municipalities, the regions, and the general practitioners.

Furthermore, Anne Bendix conducted field observations following ten elderly citizens with multimorbidity from their admission to an emergency unit, through discharge, and further on at their meetings with professionals in their home, in municipal rehabilitation, at the GP clinic, or in outpatient clinics. In addition, field observations were conducted while accompanying a community-care nurse, nurses in a GP clinic, GPs, a municipal physiotherapist, and nurses in a municipal rehabilitation unit.

Anne Bendix concludes that health professionals' collaboration can be characterised as distant relations which are hampered by a number of issues that interact with their creation of patient pathways. These are: the political requirements for rapid and efficient creation of patient pathways, inappropriate or inflexible communication tools, and diagnosing as an overriding activity that simplified the patient's situation.

The project was carried out by RN, MHS Anne Bendix Andersen, who is defending her dissertation on September 14 from 13-15 pm.

The defence is public and takes place at Viborg Regional Hospital, room 22, 3th floor, Heibergs Allé 4, 8800 Viborg. The title of the project is The Puzzle of Coherence - An Ethnographically Inspired Study of Intersectoral Collaboration in the Danish Healthcare System For more information, please contact PhD student Anne Bendix Andersen email: anne.b.andersen@viborg.rm.dk, Phone +45 22383101.

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