1st Conference of the Swiss Implementation Science Network (IMPACT)

June 4-5, 2020, Basel
Welcome

On behalf of the Institute of Nursing Science, the Department Public Health and the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute (Swiss TPH), we warmly welcome you to the 1st Conference of the Swiss Implementation Science Network (IMPACT) including the launch of IMPACT as well as a Masterclass on Implementation Science on June 4-5, 2020 in Basel, Switzerland.

Successful translation of high-quality evidence into daily clinical practice, health systems or service organisations remains challenging. Research has shown that only one third of evidenced based practices are ever implemented in routine care and that implementation trajectory takes on average 17 years\(^1\). This results in considerable research waste. Research funding often does not lead to innovation or improved quality of care. In addition, effective health care interventions often end up on library bookshelves instead of driving innovation in various health care settings.

Implementation science is the scientific approach to facilitate and leverage the successful translation of effective and safe health care interventions into real life care settings. While building on existing clinical research and health systems research methods, implementation science implies integration and use of theoretical frameworks, thorough contextual analysis, patient and public involvement, use of implementation strategies, focus on effectiveness and implementation outcomes, use of a hybrid or implementation science specific design, and a trans disciplinary approach.

In Switzerland, this is an exciting time of growth in our national understanding and focus on implementation science. As evidence of this growing emphasis on implementation science, a number of implementation science projects are now funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation in the NFP74 research program and other competitive funding agencies. It is time to further strengthen and develop the capacity for implementation science in Switzerland.

The goals of the Swiss Implementation Science Network (IMPACT) launched in December 2019 are to:

1. **Showcase** implementation science projects in health care conducted by Swiss health care researchers and institutions;
2. **Provide networking opportunities** for implementation science researchers and other interested stakeholders in Switzerland;
3. **Provide training opportunities** for implementation science; and
4. **Leverage funding options** for implementation science in Switzerland.

The 1st IMPACT conference consists of 2 parts. In the late afternoon on June 4, we will focus on the official start of the Swiss Implementation Science Network including a keynote lecture by a renowned international expert and a discussion round with key stakeholders from Swiss health policy and research. On June 5, a **Masterclass on implementation science methodology** is scheduled using Swiss implementation science projects as examples.

We look forward to welcoming you in Basel to be part of an exciting next phase in Swiss health care research!

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General information

Registration
Registration until May 15, 2020
Online: www.impact-dph.unibas.ch
Registrations will be confirmed per e-mail.
On-site registration is only possible in case of free places and with cash payment.

Language
The conference and masterclass will be in English.

Conference location
Thursday, June 4, 2020:
Grosser Hörsaal, «Schönes Haus»,
Nadelberg 6, 4051 Basel

Friday, June 5, 2020:
Kleiner Hörsaal, Zentrum für Lehre & Forschung (ZLF),
Hebelstrasse 20, 4031 Basel

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