

Insuring against high medical risks from an international historical and social political perspective

Symposium on the historical and social political problems of financing long term care, elderly care and care for the disabled



Financing long term care, elderly care and care for the disabled is one of the greatest social and medical problems of modern welfare states. In the EU efforts are made to provide coverage for these so called 'high' or 'exceptional medical risks' through public and private (social) insurance schemes. The problems regarding the insurance of these forms of care are well known and seem to be similar throughout the western world. But the way the insurance schemes and financial arrangements that provided coverage evolved, differed in each country. This development depended on the existing system of (social) health insurance, the level of health care provision and the outcome of social and political debates. The current debate on the insurance of high medical risks would therefore benefit from a broader international, historical and political comparative perspective.

To discuss the question how the insurance of high medical risks evolved and interconnected with the development of social security and health care in the EU, the Centre for the History of Health Insurance (VU university medical center, Amsterdam) and the Department of Health, Ethics and Society of Maastricht University will organize the symposium *Insuring against high medical risks from an international historical and social political perspective*.

On Friday 26 October 2012 various specialists will present papers on the development of the insurance of high medical risks in past and present in the EU.

Speakers

- Prof.dr. K. Horstman, Health, Ethics and Society; School Public Health and Primary Care (CAPHRI), Maastricht University, Maastricht; the Netherlands: keynote speaker
- Dr. K.P. Companje Kenniscentrum Historie Zorgverzekeraars, Amsterdam: *Financing high medical risks in the Netherlands: health care, social insurance and political compromises*
- Dr. S. O. Daatland, NOVA - Norwegian Social Research; Norway: *Long-term Care Between Health and Social Care in Austria: Challenges, Developments and Perspectives*
- Mr. J. Draijer, voormalig Counselor for Health, Welfare and Sport at the Netherlands Permanent Representation to the EU; currently Senior Policy Advisor External Cooperation at the Faculty of Health, Medicine and Life Sciences, University of Maastricht: *Health care in Europe: who cares?*
- Prof.dr. H. Rothgang, Zentrum für Sozialpolitik, Universität Bremen and Drs. R. Götze, Sonderforschungsbereich 597 Universität Bremen; Germany: *Fiscal and Social Policy: Financing Long-term Care in Germany*
- Prof.dr. M.E. Joel, Directeur du Laboratoire d'Economie et de Gestion des Organisations de Santé (LEGOS), Université Paris Dauphine; France: *Risk coverage dependence in France: a recent history*
- Drs. A.A.M. Spoor, Group Strategy Achmea; the Netherlands: *Health, pensions and housing wealth. Towards a multi-pillar approach of health care finance*

Date

Friday 26 October 2012

Location

The Crowne Plaza Hotel, Maastricht
Adress: De Ruitertij 1, 6221 EW Maastricht (tel.: 0031-43-3509191).

Organisation

The symposium is a joint project of the Centre for the History of Health Insurance, department Metamedica of the VU university medical centre (Amsterdam) and the department of Health, Ethics and Society (HES) of Maastricht University (Maastricht).

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Participation

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