2nd Workshop APHEC

Health and Aging:
the Sustainability and Equity Trade off

Genova, September 11-12, 2020
CALL FOR PAPERS

The 2nd Aphec (AdvancedPharmaco&HealthEconomics - www.aphec.it) Workshop has been organized by the Centre for Health Economics Aphec and will be held at the Department of Economics, University of Genoa, September 11-12, 2020.

Over the last few decades, the simultaneous decrease in mortality and fertility rates has produced a progressive ageing of the European population. Ageing will produce a pervasive change in the traditional patterns of care and in the costs of investment in health capital. Health care systems will have to face several challenges, namely:

a) the long run sustainability of health care and its relationship with ageing. Health care costs may increase because of age while resources may decrease because of the shape of the population pyramid;

b) the effects of ageing on the demand for health care services. Although ageing may not cause an increase in health care expenditure, it will certainly affect its composition. The needs of the elderly and their legitimate right to access to services must find an adequate response in the supply governance and resources' availability;

c) the need to find alternative sources to finance long term care expenditure

d) the difficulty of ensuring equity of access. When public resources are limited, private solutions might be encouraged and this may increase socio-economic related inequalities in access to health care;

e) as predicted by the Grossman Model, health capital depreciation increases with age and increases the costs of investment in health capital among elderly. This may foster an increase in the adoption of risky behaviours among this segment of population.

The workshop will focus on ageing and chronicity, with particular attention to specific themes such as: i. equity, innovation and sustainability of health and social care expenditure; ii. chronic diseases and new forms of care; iii. long term care finance; iv. adoption of risky behaviours among elderly.

In this environment, economic analysis plays a crucial role in supporting decision makers by providing insights and informative tools for the definition of new governance models and more equitable and efficient resources' allocations. Furthermore, the huge amount of data available at patient level have shifted the focus of applied research from sample to population data.

The topics that we propose to explore are:

- long term care finance;
- early interventions and later life outcomes;
- interactions between health and social care;
- welfare effects of long term care reform;
- population data and real world evidence for new policies;
- equity in health care utilization and medicines consumption.
**Format**

The workshop will run over two days and comprise around **fifteen papers**. There are no parallel sessions and **forty minutes** (30 min presentation, 7 min discussion and 3 min floor discussion) will be dedicated to each paper, with presentations by the author and a nominated discussant. The number of participants is limited to around 25 people. Participants are expected to attend the entire meeting and take an active part as either author, discussant or chairperson.

The best papers presented at the 1st workshop have been published on a special issue of Health Economics.

Also for the 2nd Aphec workshop, selected papers will be eligible for inclusion in an edited volume in a prestigious peer-reviewed journal.

**Keynote lecture by**

*Professor Joerg Baten - University of Tuebingen, CESifo and CEPR, Germany (Title, to be announced).*

**APHEC lecture by**

*Professor Cinzia Di Novi – University of Pavia, Italy (Title, to be announced).*

**Scientific Committee**

- Joerg Baten - University of Tuebingen, CESifo and CEPR, Germany
- Vincenzo Carrieri - "Magna Graecia" University, Italy
- Joan Costa-Font - London School of Economics and Political Science LSE London UK
- Cinzia Di Novi - University of Pavia, Italy
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- Rosella Levaggi - University of Brescia, Italy
- Lucia Leporatti - University of Genova, Italy
- Marcello Montefiori - University of Genova, Italy

**Timeline**

The deadline to submit a paper is **May 31st, 2020**. Preliminary versions of papers are accepted, but full papers will be given priority. Papers have to be sent to the following email addresses in pdf format: aphec@unige.it and aphec.unige@gmail.com. Selected papers will be eligible for inclusion in an edited volume in a prestigious peer-reviewed journal.

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Memo
Accommodation for active participants for up to two nights is provided by the conference. However, all participants will have to cover their own travel expenses.

Local Organizer
Marcello Montefiori, Giulia Bartolo, Lucia Leporatti, Luca Persico, Paola Ramassa

Information
All relevant information will be made available on the conference website (www.aphec.it) in due time. You may also contact the local organizers at aphec@unige.it

Oral sessions with discussants
Three presentations in 120 minutes, which include a 30 min presentation, 7 min discussion and 3 min floor discussion. Discussants of the accepted papers will be chosen by the Scientific Committee.

LOCATION
Department of Economics, University of Genova
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