HOW TO TRANSFER OUR KNOWLEDGE ON ADDICTION MEDICINE TO THE NEXT GENERATION?

In the ISAM 2022 Fundamentals 'BEST PRACTICE IN TEACHING ADDICTION MEDICINE' this question will be answered by two members of the education and training committee.

WHY?

Training in the field of Addiction Medicine is often lacunar and patchy at under- and postgraduate level. In our era we have competent physicians and healthcare workers in addiction medicine. The next step is that we need to transfer our knowledge to our colleagues and the next generation.

FOR WHOM?

The course is developed for clinicians, teachers and policy makers from different disciplines who are interested in medical education and who want to improve addiction medicine training in their clinic, their university or at a governmental level. This fundamentals is highly relevant for all addiction medicine specialists and scientists who want to transfer their knowledge to the next generation, and for those who are already doing this and want to improve their skills in teaching.

WHEN?

- pre-annual ISAM meeting

HOW?

Examples of "best practice in education" exist and will be shared. Exchange of ideas and experiences will be stimulated by means of plenary and small group discussions and exercises: Learning from each other by collaborating! Curiosity is highly appreciated. The effect of training increases if a course is also fun. A learning environment will be created that is open, safe, enjoyable and relaxing. This is how we want to make the next step in teaching Addiction Medicine.

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