

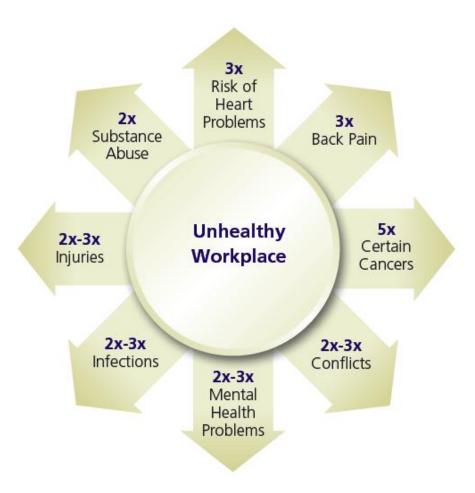
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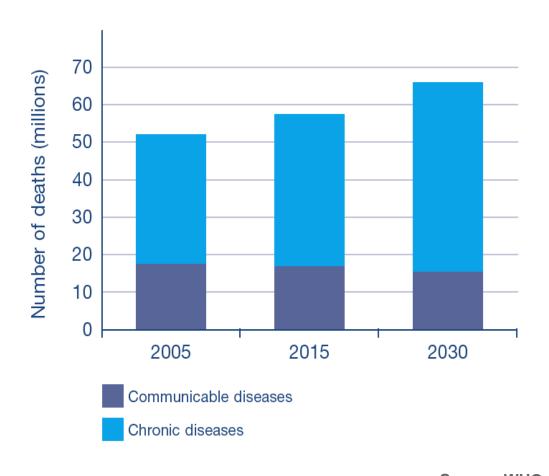
Work Health Promotion: A comprehensive appraoch

The effects of unhealthy workplaces



Source: The business case for a healthier workplace, IAPA

The health challenge



Economische aspetten –

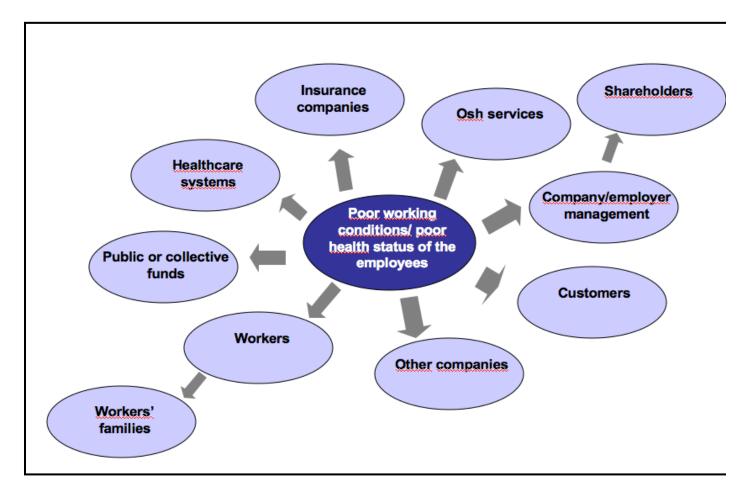
Niveau 1

Source: WHO

Eg: Cardiovascular disorders

- CVD are the main cause of death in the European Union
- They account for 42% over 1.9 million of all deaths each year in the EU.
- Approximately 24% of all deaths in the working-age population – 225.000 – are attributable to CVD
- In the EU, the total cost for CVD was estimated to be € 169 billion a year

The costs are shifted to ...



Source: Making the case for WHP, De Greef, Van den Broek

Work Health Promotion

WHP is Aimed at improving health at work

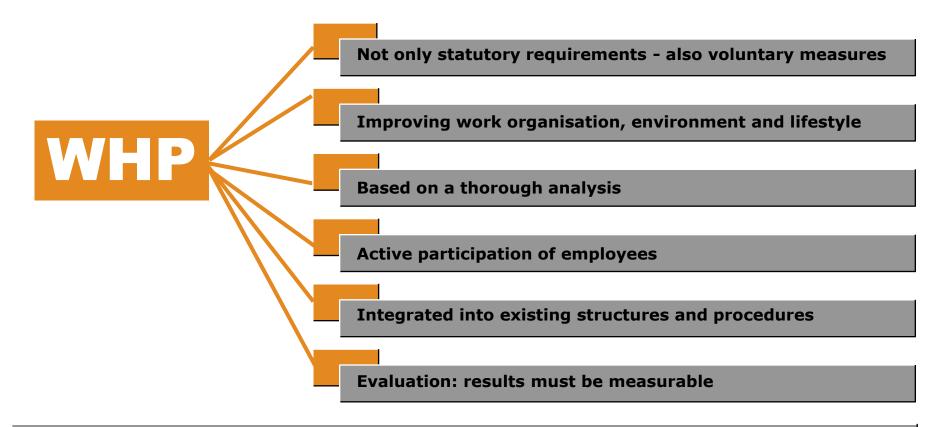
Based on concerted action of employers, employees and society to improve the health and well-being of people at work

A combination of

- improving work organisation and the working environment
- promoting active participation
- encouraging personal develoment

Luxembourg Declaration, 1997, ENWHP

The features of WHP



Contributes to:

- a high level of health protection
 - sustainable economic and social development

WHP: 2 strains

behaviouroriented health promotion conditionoriented health promotion

philosophy

appealing to the individual to adopt healthy behaviour

designing working conditions to encourage healthy behaviour

examples

smoking: flyers, courses

nutrition: courses

workplace: "be careful"

smoking: no cigarette

machines

nutrition: canteen diet

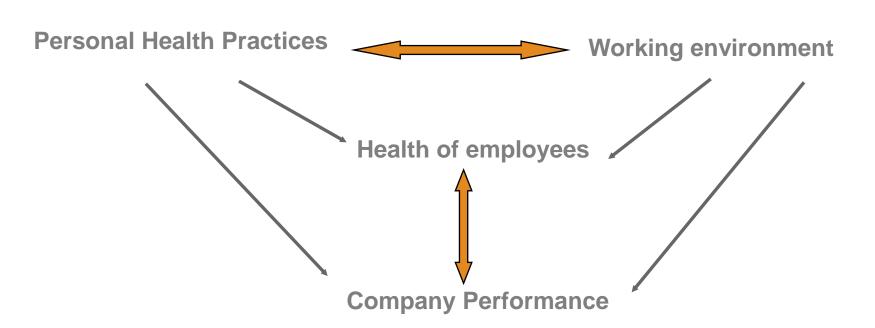
workplace: workplace design

A comprehensive approach

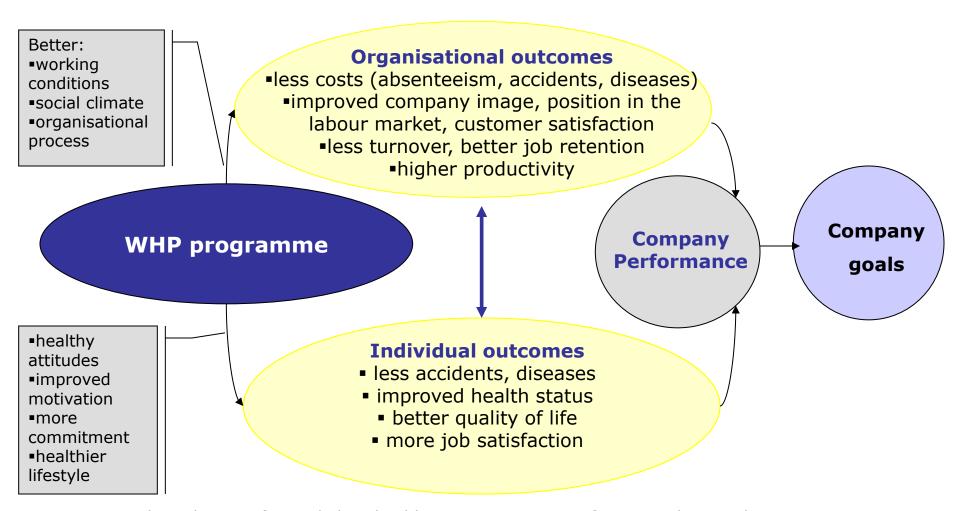
Promoting healthy lifestyle

Behavioural aspects Personal Resources Hereditary endowment Creating a health promoting working environment

Working conditions (physical, psychosocial & mental aspects)
Work organisation



WHP in support of company performance

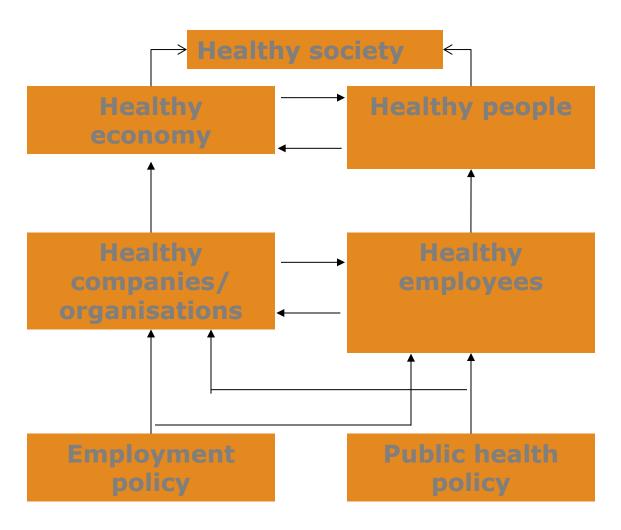


Source: Making the case for workplace health promotion, De Greef, M., Van den Broek, K.

Benefits of WHP

- Results in a reduction in illness-related absenteeism, fewer working days lost and therefore in a long-term decline in the sickness rate
- Increases motivation among the staff and improves the working atmosphere
- Relieves the statutory social security systems (health, pension and accident insurance funds)
- Results in an increase in the quality of products and services, more innovation and creativity and a rise in productivity in the company
- Is a prestige factor which helps to improve the public image of a company and to make it more attractive as an employer

WHP in support of a healthy society





European Network for Work Health Promotion: Structure and organisation

European Network for Workplace Health Promotion

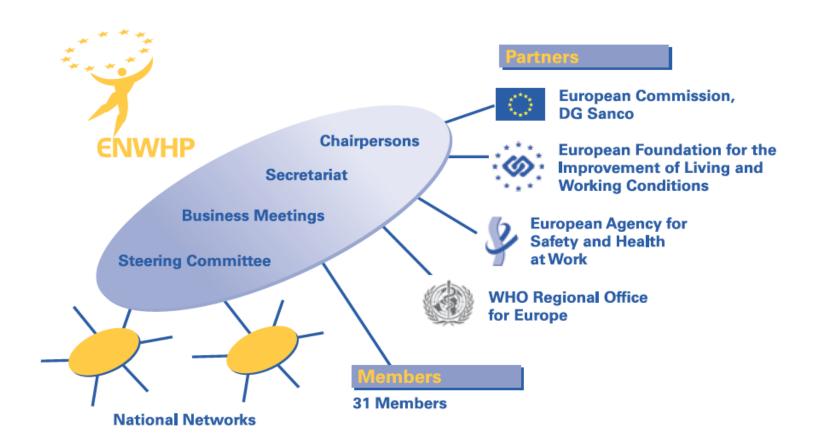








ENWHP Structure





ENWHP:

9 EU-wide campaigns to promote healthy people, healthy work and healthy organisations

EU-wide campaigns: objectives

- To increase awareness of all stakeholders
- To develop a toolbox for self-assessment
- To produce guidelines for employers and employees
- To identify, analyse, document and disseminate models of good practice
- Recommendations to stakeholders

Quality criteria – success factors

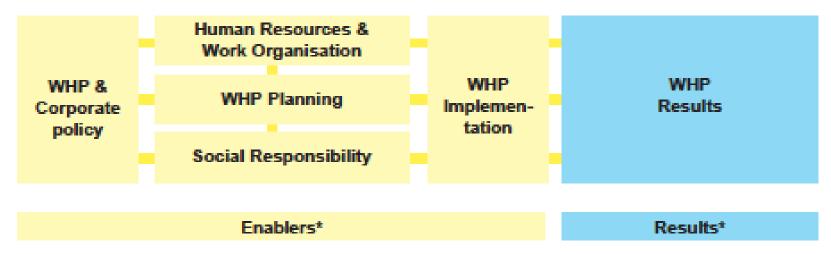


- 1st Initiative
- Successful WHP depends on good quality practical implementation
- Identification of companies in Europe which set an outstanding example in the field of WHP
- Catalogue of quality criteria
- Development of self-assessment questionnaire

Quality Criteria for a good WHP practice

- 1. WHP should be a management responsibility with:
 - support and integration of management and executive staff
 - integration in company policy
 - provision of sufficient financial and material resources
- Employee participation in planning and implementation of the WHP measures.
- 3. WHP should be based on a comprehensive understanding of health.
- 4. WHP should be based on accurate analysis and continually improved.
- 5. WHP should be professionally coordinated and information should be made available regularly to all the staff.
- The benefits of Workplace Health Promotion are evaluated and quantified on the basis of specific indicators.

Self-assessment



[&]quot;The enablers include all procedures and structures which a health-promoting organisation needs. These lead to the corresponding results.

- The questionnaire consists of a total of 27 questions spread over 6 sectors
- 4 categories of answers: fully achieved considerable progress – certain progress – activities not started

WHP in SMEs



- 2nd Initiative
- Criteria for models of good practice





Criteria

Characteristics of Workplace Health Promotion	
in Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises	6
Criteria – enterprise level	8
Leadership and participation	9
Business processes10	0
Results1	1
Criteria – intermediary level1	2
Integration of WHP in the policies and actions	
of the intermediary organisations of supportive	
structures1	3
Strategy and planning 14	4
Implementation1	5
Regulte 1	6

The public administration sector



- 3rd Initiative (2001-2002)
- Cuts in public services and increase efficiency in public administration: impact on the HR management and work organisation
- Management of staff influences their efficiency and the quality of their work
- WHP strategies can create a significant added value in the process
- Models of good practice

- Austria	- Italy
Health Promotion in Local Government Services	Healthy Municipality for a Healthy Community:
Health Venture at Schwarzau Prison	The Municipality of Martignacco
	Lisabtanetsia (Caritanalan d
Belgium Belgium	Liechtenstein/Switzerland Community Offices, Munchenbuchsee
La Louvière: Combating Stress and Mobbing	Military and Civil Defence Office, St. Gall
at Work – a Practical Approach	Military and Civil Defence Office, St. Gall
The Belgian Federal Police: An Integrated and	Netherlands
Multi-Disciplinary Organisation of Prevention 18	The Municipality of The Hague's Facility
Couch Donahlia	Department and its WHP Policy
Czech Republic	The Ministry of Finance and its WHP Policy
Municipal Authority of the Town of Sokolov	The Million y of Finance and its Will Folloy
- Denmark	Norway
Organisational and Skills Development at the	The "GET WELL PROJECT" in Nedre Eiker
Danish National Library for the Blind	Local Authority
Employee Influence, Personnel Policy and Quality	Development of Healthy Workplaces by Processes
at the Social Appeals Board27	and Employee Participation

Finland	Portugal
Ilmarinen Mutual Pension Insurance Company31	Promoting Workplace Health and Well-Being
"Echo project" in the Regional Tax Office of Uusimaa 33	on Almada City Council
	Workplace Health Promotion at the City Council
Germany	of Oeiras
Health Management in the City of Berlin35	Romania
Workplace health promotion at the Federal	
Insurance Institute for Salaried Employees	National Agency of Public Servants
Workplace Health Promotion in the Municipal	Spain
Administration of Dortmund 42	The Spanish Society of Occupational Health in
	Public Administration (SESLAP): Networking Health
Greece	in the Public Sector
Workplace Health Promotion at the Hellenic Post	Health Promotion Campaign for Post Office
Ethel Bus Company	Employees
Hungary	
Workplace Health Promotion at the Heves County Court 52	Sweden
Workplace Health Promotion at the National	The Ministry of Finance - Workplace Health Promotion
Institute of Occupational Health	is an Important Part of Occupational Safety and
	Health Work
- Iceland	Workplace Health Promotion at Systembolaget AB
The Capital District Fire and Rescue Service 58	
The Directorate of Customs - Reykjavík61	United Kingdom
	The Northern Ireland Court Service
Ireland	
Workplace Health Promotion in Donegal	Members of the European Network for Workplace
County Council 64	Health Promotion

Infrastructures for WHP



4th Initiative

- Developing national infrastructures to provide platforms for the exchange of information and for concerted action.
- Involving all relevant interest groups including social partners, governmental bodies, social insurance organisations and companies.
- **ENWHP-Toolbox**: a collection of methods and tools (toolbox) to facilitate the introduction of WHP into companies and organisations.
- The case for WHP: evidence of the economic benefits for WHP

Healthy Ageing

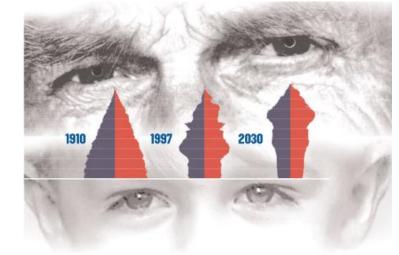


5th Initiative

 Demographic developments are presenting new challenges to enterprises and social security systems in

Europe - Older workforce

 Extend working life through improved individual health and lifestyles as well as through a healthier work organisation and environment



Analysis of actual situation

- An age structure analysis shows the actual age structure of the workforce and its expected development in the future.
- A check list to identify the need for action.
- The Work Ability Index focuses its sights on the workers and their work ability assessed by themselves.
- The workshop concept "Healthy into Retirement" involves the sharing of experience in a group.

Check list to identify the need for action in companies in terms of the age structure

Notes on using this check list

After you have completed the check list, take a closer look at the answers you have marked:

- The answers on yellow fields refer on the one hand to risks. On the other hand, they indicate possible approaches to cope with the change in the age structure which have so far not been put into practice in the company. Here we advise you to examine the question in more detail to see whether it is expedient and feasible to pursue the action and strategies in your company in future.
- The answers on blue fields simply refer to approaches which are already being pursued at the company. Here we advise you to ensure that these strategies are continued to be pursued in the future or, where necessary, are even strengthen.

Recruitment of staff	
We are increasingly finding fewer young specialists.	yes
	no
It must be assumed that the demographic change on our regional labour market will in future result in difficulties in recruiting staff.	yes
	no
When we recruit staff at our company, we pay attention to certain age limits.	yes
	no
We also recruit older applicants at our company.	yes
	no
We formulate vacancy advertisements so that older skilled workers are also targeted.	yes
	 no

Qui	ck Check for a future-oriented HR policy		
	age structure consists of equal proportions of young, tlle-aged and older employee.	Tends to apply	Tends not to apply
	work activities are designed so that employees perform them up to the age of 65.		
	employees are actively involved in the design eir working conditions.		
	company readily succeeds in training or recruiting ugh young skilled workers.		
	mployees – also older ones – are given the opportunity otain qualifications and expand their competencies.		
	exchange of knowledge between older, experienced loyees and young workers is systematically promoted.		
	prospect of career development is offered I employees.		

Quick Check of Gemeinschaftsinitiative Gesünder Arbeiten e.V. (GiGA), see www.gesuenderarbeiten.de Source: Federal Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (Publ.) (2004): Mit Erfahrung die Zukunft meistern! Altern und Alter in der Arbeitswelt, p. 27

WHP in an enlarging Europe



6th Initiative

- Three separate network projects to identify the specific requirements and challenges regarding WHP in Eastern European Countries and to pave the way for improved dissemination of WHP in this region:
- <u>Dragon Fly</u> developed infrastructures for the dissemination of "Good Practice"
- Workhealth II produced a European work-related health report and continued establishing infrastructures
- Workplace Health Promotion in an Enlarging Europe
 developed best practice methodologies for the promotion
 and maintenance of work ability.

Move Europe - Healthy lifestyles

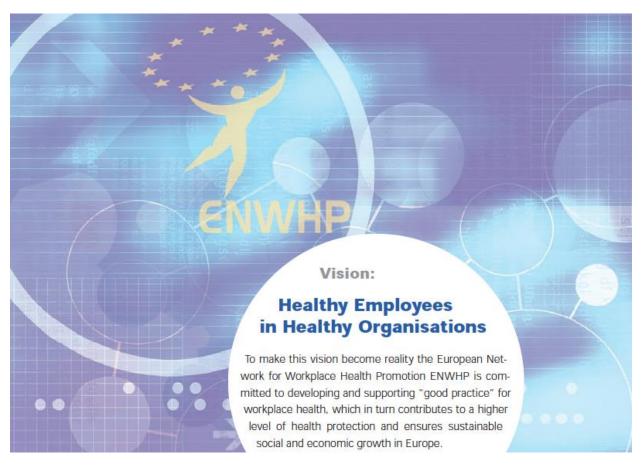
7th Initiative

- Health problems associated with an employee's personal lifestyle present a growing problem in all the European countries. The workplace is an ideal setting for positively influencing lifestyle and daily behaviour.
- Addressing lifestyle factors:
 - > Physical activity
 - > Smoking prevention
 - > Healthy diet
 - > Mental health
- Company Health Check:
 Online questionnaire for self-assessment



Work. In tune with life. Move Europe





8th Initiative

Focus on strategies that help improve employees' mental health





The campaign: a stepwise approach

- National Move Europe websites in 18 **European countries**
- About 2000 enterprises participated - public administrations, schools, hospitals, small and larger companies
- They actively supported the campaign as a "Move Europe Partner"
- Collection of Good Practices
- 3 Guidances
- Edinburgh Declaration
- MH Pact Conference in Berlin, March 2011



Voldoende beweging...

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Identify good practices

 A gradual status and selection approach supported a wide-ranging enterprise participation and helped to identify good practices



Guide for employers



A guide for employers. To promote mental health in the workplace.



Policies and good practices



- Importance of MH for a successful business
- What can employers do to promote MH and prevent stress?
- What can employers do to support and retain people with MH problems?
- How to create a mentally healthy workplace?



EU-Compass for Action on Mental Health and Well being



Toolkit to support MH practices and policies in schools, workplaces and older people's residencies

Guide for employees



A guide to creating a mentally healthy workplace

- Employees Resource



- Recognise MH and overcome stigma
- What can you do to promote your MH?
- Managing stress
- Supporting colleagues with MH problems
- Steps the workplace can take for better MH

Behaviour-related you may:

- find it hard to sleep
- change your eating habits
- smoke or drink more
- avoid friends and family
- have sexual problems

Are you stressed?

Mentally you may:

- be more indecisive
- find it hard to concentrate
- suffer loss of memory
- feelings of inadequacy
- low self esteem

Physical symptoms might include:

- tiredness
- indigestion and nausea
- headaches
- aching muscles
- palpitations

Emotionally you are likely to:

- get irritable or angry
- be anxious
- feel numb
- be hypersensitive, drained and listless

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Guide to the MH business case

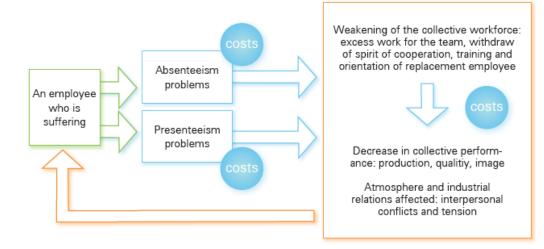


A guide to the business case for mental health



- Insight into the economic aspects of psychosocial issues at work
- Costs of not taking action
- Costs for assessing workplace
- Investment costs and ROI in risk prevention

An employee who is suffering costs the company...



Work. Adapted for all. Move Europe

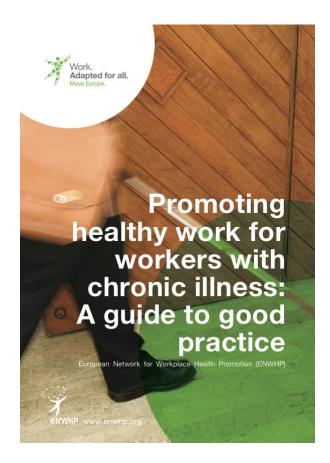


9th Initiative

- Promoting healthy work for people with chronic illness –
 Public health and work (PH Work)
- Focus on:
 - Early intervention
 - Job retention
 - Return to work (RTW)
 - Working with a chronic disease
 - Sustainable employment



Guidelines for employers



- Basic info on workplace health promotion, chronic illness and return-towork, why should employers care?
- Six-step action plan with crucial steps to be taken when an employee suffers from a chronic illness / condition
- Checklist on manager support tool listing desirable conduct of employers and managers towards employees with a chronic illness

Success factors
were deducted from 34
models of good practice
across Europe:

Recommendations

- Recommendation paper for policy makers and other stakeholders
- On strategies for workplace health promotion targeted to job retention / return-to-work for employees with chronic illness







Conclusion: Arguments for WHP

Arguments on individual level

- WHP leads to more health awareness and more motivation
- WHP leads to healthy workers
- WHP generates more job satisfaction

Arguments on organisational level

- WHP leads to an improved working situation
- WHP improves health-related outcomes
- WHP generates an enhanced image
- WHP leads to an improved human resources management
- WHP boosts productivity

Arguments on societal level

- WHP supports the transformation from a re-active into a pro-active social security system;
- WHP bridges the gap between workplace health and public health;
- WHP focuses on a win –win situation for the different stakeholders.

Awareness-raising on WHP



Welcome by the European Network for Workplace Health Promotion

ENWHP has been working towards its mission of "healthy employees in healthy organisations" since it was established in 1996. By carrying out a number of joint initiatives and by developing good practice criteria for WHP, the network has become a frontrunner in European WHP.

In our newsletter we like to give you an overview of ENWHP's activities and the activities of our National Contact Offices (NCOs), combined with general info about workplace health promotion (projects, publications, events etc.)





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