

SAMI HEALTH SPECIAL ISSUE AND SUPPLEMENT OF THE DIETARY TRANSITION AND CONTAMINANTS IN GREENLAND -PUBLISHED

This issue is the very first one devoted entirely to Sami health during the long Nordic history of the Journal. We thank all authors and especially the special editor Dr. Eiliv Lund for their hard and proper work in compiling the material. The production of the Sami Health special issue has been economically supported by the Nordic Council of Ministers and University of Tromsø. We hope that the collected special knowledge assists Sami health care professionals and researchers in their work, but also increase the knowledge of the Sami people among the other readers of this journal. The production of this issue forms a part of Nordic-Canadian publishing collaboration in this Journal and which is continuing in the newly developed publication series Circumpolar Health Supplements (CHS).

CHS, the sister publication series of this journal published in this month a supplement entitled "Dietary transition and contaminants in the Arctic: emphasis on Greenland" which is related to describing the nutrition status and exposure to contaminants of the Greenlanders. This supplement includes new information valuable not only for Greenland but also

for other Arctic peoples. This issue of CHS has been distributed to all subscribers of Int J Circumpolar Health. Its purpose is to offer detailed information for the use of health care workers and researchers, too.

The next issue of CHS (No 3) is entitled "Circumpolar Health Indicators: Sources, Data, and Maps" and collected by Dr. Kue Young. The supplement will be published in March-April.

The next issue of this Journal will be a double issue (No 2-3) and published in June. It includes some reviews concerning the effects of Climate change on human health and wellbeing.

A circumpolar health research event will be organized in Tromsø, Norway 12th-16th May 2008. This includes a scientific conference and the annual meeting of the International Network for Circumpolar Health Research and various other collaboration meetings (IUCH, NSAM and also the publishing association of this Journal). The entire event will be hosted by the University of Tromsø. We welcome the opportunity to meet many active health experts during this occasion and hope for successful discussions in Tromsø.

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