

## NDPHS e-Newsletter 2/2009 now available

### NDPHS news and updates at a glance

The Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health and Social Well-being (NDPHS) is pleased to announce that the second issue of its bi-annual e-Newsletter is now available on the NDPHS website.

This issue opens with a short article informing about the outcomes of the ministerial-level Partnership Annual Conference (PAC), which took place in Oslo and marked the end of the Norwegian chairmanship of the NDPHS. One of the Conference's highlights was the adoption of the new NDPHS Strategy. The Strategy and its significance for the future of the NDPHS are described in a separate article.

The PAC was preceded by a side-event, i.e. a *“Good Prison Health – Better Public Health – Safer Society”* Conference, which focused on the issue of prison health as a part of the general public health. Two articles written by the Chairperson of the NDPHS Prison Health Expert Group explore this issue in-depth and discuss the importance and necessity for developing closer links or integration between Prison Health and Public Health Services as a part of a concerted effort to develop a safer society.



The issue closes with an article presenting the outcomes of the drug and alcohol prevention project among youth in St. Petersburg. The project was the beacon activity of the NDPHS Adolescent Health Expert Sub-group. One of the results of the project was the establishment of a network of experts, which involves social sector, schools and NGOs. Even though the project has been completed, the network continues to work against alcohol abuse among the youth.

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*While thanking all the Partners and other supporters of the NDPHS for their commitment to the Partnership's goals and their efforts during this year, we would like to wish all of them and the recipients of the NDPHS e-news a peaceful holiday season as well as prosperous and successful year 2010!*

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