

AGENDA 2025

The 12th Fall Research Meeting



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

12:30 LUNCH

13:30 WELCOME

Gwyn Bevan and David Goodman

13:45 ETHICS IN GEOGRAPHIC VARIATION // Stef Groenewoud

Kristensen Troels – Patient Characteristics and Degrees of Discontinuity of care in General practice (Denmark)

Wieke Ligtenberg – A closer look at regional differences in euthanasia practices in the Netherlands

14:30 DRAWING CAUSAL INFERENCE FROM OBSERVATIONAL DATA // Zeynep Or & Jostein Grytten

Raf Van Gestel – Healthcare Inefficiency Due to Medical Innovation? Evidence from weight-loss drugs and bariatric surgery (Belgium)

Julie Cartailier – Geographic variations in efficiency of mental healthcare spending for young adults: the role of local supply (France)

Schylar Bennett – Could GPs' time spent on mental health problems influence their patients' use of specialist or out-of-hours care? An instrumental variable approach using linked Norwegian registry data (Norway)

15:35 TEA AND COFFEE

15:55 NOVEL DATA AND DATA LINKAGE METHODS FOR HEALTH CARE EVALUATION
// Therese Stukel and David Goodman

Enrique Bernal-Delgado - Lessons for an extensive reuse of sensitive data in health services and policy research (Spain)

Kim McGrail - Harmonized data, data linkage, and federated analysis for health care evaluation (Canada)

David Goodman - Interpreting unwarranted variation through the use of population-based surveys (USA)

Doreen Muller - Linking practice management system usability data: a regional perspective (Germany)

17:25 ADJOURN

18:30 RECEPTION



09:00 WELCOME TO TUESDAY

09:10 THE PROBLEM OF LOW VALUE CARE // Gwyn Bevan

David Goodman – Low value care, unwarranted variation, and the avoidable care landscape (USA)

Andi Orlowski – Identifying Cash-Releasing Interventions in the NHS: Findings from the Literature and Reflections on System Value (UK)

Anant Jani – The breakdown of institutional memory: The lowest value activity in healthcare? (UK)

Tijn Kool – How to reduce low-value care? Lessons from a nationwide program (The Netherlands)

10:30 TEA AND COFFEE

10:50 APPROACHES TO DE-IMPLEMENTATION // Eva Stensland

Leila Rooshenas – Why is de-implementation of surgical interventions so difficult? An in-depth analysis of surgical practitioners' responses to national de-implementation proposals in the English NHS

Simone van Dulmen – Scaling and sustaining effective interventions aimed at reducing low-value care (The Netherlands)

Marit Herder – Reducing low-value health care in Norway - the NOR program

Joel Glynn - Using geographical variation to identify targets for surgical de implementation at the local level: data from the English NHS

Lotte Dammertz – Direct vs. indirect measurement of Low-Value Care: Regional patterns in Germany

12:30 LUNCH

13:30 POSTER SESSION

Andreas Asheim	Norway	Using natural experiments in the assignment of regular GPs to assess effects of GP practice differences- investigating effects of having a stable regular GP as a case study
Yoonjeong Choi	South Korea	Comparison of trends in the incidence of traumatic brain injury in South Korea: National multi-insurance study
Elin Gustavsen	Norway	Adjuvant chemotherapy for elderly patients with stage III colon cancer in Norway: Linking variation in health care provision to outcomes
Blandine Juillard-Condat	France	Regional Variations in Low-Value Drug Prescribing in France: First Insights from 2024 Data
Jin Yong Lee	South Korea	Changes in Obstetric Care Underserved Areas Over a Decade and Maternal Health Disparities in Korea
Heeyoung Lee	South Korea	Current Status and Tasks for Improvement of Public Reporting Websites on Regional Healthcare Utilization in South Korea
Heeyoung Lee	South Korea	Regional Variation in Inflow and Outflow Rates of Healthcare Utilization in Korea
Sara Emilie Lyster	Norway	Use of health services in the handover period between adolescent and adult mental health services 2008-2021. A Norwegian Register Study

Eabha Manley	France	Variations in Off-Label Prescribing of Expensive Hospital Drugs in France: Multilevel Analysis
Javier Muñoz Laguna	Switzerland	Health care epidemiology, characteristics, and regional variation of chiropractic care in Switzerland: a descriptive study using claims data
Danielle Eibrink Jansen- Pieterse	The Netherlands	Understanding complexity in healthcare delivery: from a patient-centered to a wider view – a modified RAND Delphi procedure
Robin Schepers	Norway	General practitioners’ diagnostic preference as a potential instrument for the diagnosis of mental health
Philipp Storz-Pfennig	Germany	Impact of the use of non-invasive diagnostic investigations on percutaneous coronary intervention rates in stable coronary heart disease in Germany
Ian Wilson	UK	Achieving Value and Sustainability in Prescribing National Guidance

14:40 DECISION QUALITY AND SHARED DECISION MAKING // Glyn Elwyn

Ilir Hoxha – The Influence of Emotional Labor and Emotional Intelligence on Cesarean Section Decision-Making Among Midwives and Obstetricians in Kosovo: A Cross-Sectional Study Using Conjoint Analysis (Kosovo)

Danielle Eibrink Jansen – Pieterse - Understanding the effect of Decision Aids in surgical practice: a stepped wedge study (The Netherlands)

Glyn Elwyn – Shared Decision Making: A Primer (USA)

Jo Butterworth – Towards logic models for shared decision-making: the example of multiple long-term conditions (UK)

Angus McNair - Achieving consensus for a core outcome set for shared decision making (UK)

16:10 TEA AND COFFEE

16:35 CHANGING SYSTEMS TO IMPROVE VALUE // Eva Stensland

Jane Ferreira & Gwyn Bevan – From silos to stewardship: three case studies of Musculo Skeletal Services (UK)

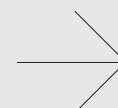
Andi Orlowski – Better Outcomes for Less: Identifying Cost-Saving COPD Interventions Through STAR Modelling (UK)

Richard Harrety – Designing a Decommissioning Framework to Enable High Value Care (UK)

Vera Benedetto – Tackling unwarranted variation by redesigning access to prevention: results from a proximity-based model for cancer screening in rural Tuscany (Italy)

18:00 ADJOURN

19:30 CONFERENCE DINNER



09:00 WELCOME TO WEDNESDAY

09:10 SYSTEMS FOR REDUCING UNWARRANTED VARIATIONS // Gwyn Bevan

Catherine Gerard – COPD - New Zealand's Atlas of Healthcare Variation

Gillian Giles – A new clinical governance model for Australia - leadership for addressing unwarranted healthcare variation

Panchakulasingham Kandiah – Reducing Unwarranted Variation in Radiology: A National Initiative to Promote Value-Based Imaging in Norway

Francis Ayomoh – "It Depends on Who and What Is Available": Unpacking the Drivers of Unwarranted Variation in Task-Shifting for Maternal Healthcare Services in Nigeria's Primary Healthcare System (UK/Nigeria)

09:55 QUALITATIVE METHODS // Anne Brabers

Anne Brabers – Variation in clinical judgment about client needs: a think-aloud study among home care nurses (The Netherlands)

Suze van de Weijer – The Geography of Dying in the Netherlands: Using Qualitative Research Methods to Understand Regional Variation in Euthanasia

10:45 COFFEE AND TEA

11:15 NEW INSIGHTS IN UNWARRANTED VARIATION // David Goodman

Frank Olsen – Updating the Norwegian Child Health Care Atlas – What Has Happened Over the Last Ten Years?

Xander Koolman – Practice Variation in Access to Institutional Long-Term Care: Updated Insights from Dutch Nationwide Data

Mirko Bonetti – Understanding Inappropriate Emergency Department Admissions: Evidence from a Small-Area Study in Bolzano (Italy)

Alessia Caputo – Decentralization and geographic variation. The role of local governments in managing variation. Evidence from Italian health districts

12:50 CONFERENCE WRAP UP

