

## Content

The symposium will be a mix of presentations of current research findings and researchers' reflections, followed by interactive discussions with the audience. The audience will be encouraged to contribute with own experiences and reflections on sick leave and work disability in patients with medically unexplained symptoms.

### THE THEMES WILL BE

1. Medically unexplained symptoms – challenges in primary care (MR).
2. Health status in patients with bodily distress syndrome (ABL) Cancelled.
3. Sick leave and work disability in patients with bodily distress syndrome (MTR) Cancelled.
4. General practitioners' sick leave decisions for patients with medically unexplained symptoms (SM).
5. Patients' experiences of medically unexplained symptoms and long-term sick leave (AA).

## Method

The presenters will share and discuss their study results on the subject in matter based on both quantitative and qualitative methods.

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## Improving the Delivery of Primary Care through Risk Stratification

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## Objectives

The aim of this workshop is to provide an insight into how information gained through applications of risk stratification in the primary health care sector, from integrated care networks to primary care clinics and finally at

the individual clinician level can improve the delivery of primary care.

## Background

As has been demonstrated in both public and private healthcare systems around the globe, risk stratification contributes to improved clinical management of populations. This includes the ability to:

- Predict high-risk individuals for inclusion in population health management, pharmacy management, and disease management programs.
- Identify individuals at risk of hospitalization and re-hospitalization.
- Identify patients whose pharmacy expenditures are greater than what is predicted based upon their morbidity profile alone.
- Identify those at risk of uncoordinated care.

## Content

The workshop will open with an introductory presentation on the numerous applications of risk stratification within the integrated and primary care sectors. The workshop will then focus on individual sessions based on three applications:

- Case Management.
- Improving Coordination.
- Pharmaceutical Management.

## Method

Each session will be comprised of presentations illustrating real world case-mix applications.

The workshop would conclude with a plenary session which would summarize the take home messages of the three sessions.

## Other considerations

The participants will experience first-hand how to apply risk stratification methods to clinical management decisions.

Prevention of marginalization from a patient, doctor and societal perspective. ””