

Telemedicine: Successful cooperation between South Denmark and Schleswig-Holstein

Flensburg, 17.11.2010 – The project partners of "Cross-border cooperation for Breast Health" succeeded in implementing a technical infrastructure to send screening pictures from the University Hospital Odense, South Denmark, to Kassenärztliche Vereinigung Schleswig-Holstein (KVSH). Within the pilot run in October 2010, 100 anonymous screening pictures were sent to KVSH, so that German experts could give their diagnosis.

The most important steps for a future German-Danish cooperation in teleradiology is the success of the Interreg 4A-project "Cross-border cooperation for breast health: Prevention, investigation, treatment and follow-up care of breast cancer in southern Denmark and Schleswig-Holstein "(Cross-Border Breast Health).

"We will present details about the pilot run and further results in the final conference "Cross-border cooperation is the future – Breast Health is an example" at University of Applied Sciences Flensburg on Wednesday, 24 November 2010.

We are very pleased that Mrs Bettina Bonde, state secretary of the Schleswig-Holstein Ministry of Health, will open the conference and underline the importance of future cross-border cooperation. All interested parties are welcome to this event on our campus" said Prof Dr Roland Trill, project leader of the successful project.

Besides the project partners and their presentations Elsebeth Lyngø from Institute of Public Health, University of Copenhagen, will give a lecture on the incidence, epidemiology and research methods of breast cancer.

At the end of two successful years, the project partners come together for the final conference. The project is part-financed by the INTERREG 4 A program Syddanmark-Schleswig-K.E.R.N. from the European Regional Development Fund. The budget was Euro 1.3 Million. Project duration is from January 2009 to December 2010. The aim of the project is to improve prevention, investigation, treatment and follow-up in organizational, technological and qualitative terms and to ensure the availability of medical services.

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