



## Public Health Week 2024

### “Politics, Policy and the Public’s Health”

13 May 2024 | 13:30 – 15:30 | Jean Monet Auditorium | University of Nicosia | Cyprus

| Time        | Session   | Speakers   | About the session  |
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| 13:00-13:30 | Welcome coffee & registration opens on site           |  |  |
| 13:15       | Connection opens for virtual attendees                |  |  |
| 13:30       | Welcome   | Dr Christiana Demetriou, Head, Dept. of Primary Care and Population Health, University of Nicosia Medical School (UNMS)<br>Dr Souzana Achilleos, Assistant Professor in Environmental Health, UNMS & CyEPHA* board member  |  |
| 13:45       | Panel discussion:<br>Policy actions to address health | Intro: Dr Eleni L. Tolma, Associate Professor in Primary Care and Public Health, UNMS & EU Cancer Mission Board<br><br>Moderator: Dr Eleni Tolma<br>Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr Charalambos Theopemptou, Member of the House of Representatives, Chairperson of the House Standing Committee on the environment</li> <li>Mr Nicolas Kyriakides, Vice-President of “Oxygen for Democracy”</li> <li>Dr Soula Ioannou, Ministry of Education, Sport and Youth</li> <li>Ms Maria Ioannidou, CEO of Cyprus Anti-Cancer Society</li> <li>Mr Christos Krasidis, Representative of “AIDS Solidarity Movement”</li> </ul> | Policy is defined as the law and regulations including both formal and informal rules. Policy process is highly political reflecting a mix of influences of both public and individual interests and rarely proceeding on the basis of rational or empirical evidence. In this session experts and representatives from both the public and private sector will discuss the role of policy in promoting the public’s health in Cyprus, by presenting interesting case studies and examples of successful and unsuccessful approaches of policy advocacy. |
| 15:00       | Q & A   | Moderator: Dr Eleni Tolma  |  |
| 15:25       | Closing remarks                                       | Dr Christiana Demetriou  |  |

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