

TRAINING MODULES FOR PAEDIATRICIANS – HEALTH EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE



As part of the DAS (German Strategy for Adaptation to Climate Change), the Institute of Occupational, Social and Environmental Medicine (University Munich) received a project promotion to develop training modules for paediatricians. This project is promoted by the Federal Ministry for Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety. Project period: 1st of April 2016 until 31th of March 2019 (grant number: 03DAS073).



AIM

To provide scientific knowledge on climate change-related health risks for children and adolescents to attain necessary skills in diagnosis, therapy and prevention.

BACKGROUND

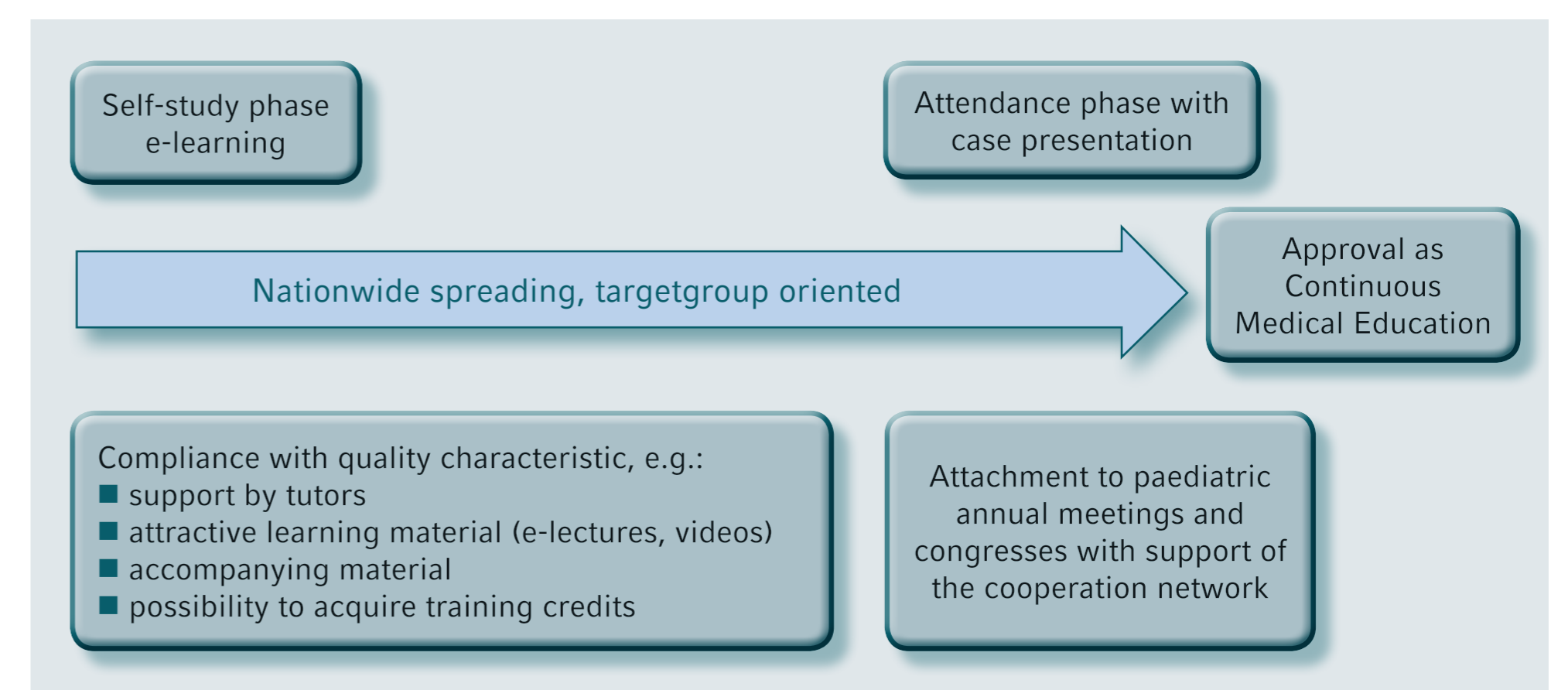
The health care systems will be increasingly faced with new challenges due to climate change-related health risks. There are several risks to be mentioned: heat-related health problems, allergies and respiratory diseases as well as a new onset of infectious diseases, increased risk of skin cancer due to strong ultraviolet radiation and accidents due to extreme weather events and as a result - mental stress.



RISK GROUP

Children, due to their vulnerability, are seen as a special risk group to be exposed with numerous pollutants and exposure to climate change related factors.

IMPLEMENTATION

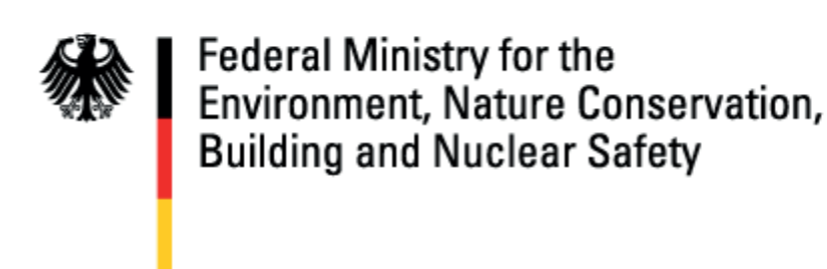


COOPERATION NETWORK

- Bavarian Medical Association (BLÄK)
- Professional Association of paediatricians (BVKJ)
- German Medical Association (BÄK)
- German Academy for Prevention and health promotion in childhood and adolescence (DAPG)
- The German Society of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine (DGKJ)
- German Society for Social Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine (DGSPJ)
- Society for Paediatric Allergology and Environmental Medicine (GPA)



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