

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

International workshop organised by the Centre for Medical Humanities and Bioethics, Linköping University, Sweden, on the theme:

Medical Humanities and Covid/Post-Covid Challenges

The pandemic situation continues to affect societies and individuals. Some people get severe Covid-19 symptoms and need rehabilitation after hospitalization for Covid-19. Others live with symptoms that develop during or after COVID-19, i.e. with what is sometimes called post-Covid. Given the complexity of this syndrome, interdisciplinary analyses of its meanings, expressions, implications, and co-constituting factors are required for apt and equal healthcare and societal response.

The goal of this workshop is to explore pandemic challenges including post-Covid, from medical humanities perspectives, understood broadly. This can include, as but some examples, studies of lived experience of embodiment and time during the pandemic, of experiences of falling ill with or offering care for others with Covid-19 or studies of socio-cultural, philosophical or historical dimensions of the pandemic. The workshop will also focus on health inequalities and make use of, for example, intersectional perspectives that attend to how social categories of e.g. gender, age, or race/ethnicity may affect the experiences and treatment of Covid/post-Covid.

Deadline for Abstracts: 10 April 2022. You are most welcome to submit your abstract to cmhb@liu.se

Abstracts should be between 700-800 words. Authors of abstracts will be notified of acceptance or rejection no later than April 25, 2022, and be asked to register for the workshop no later than 15 May, 2022.

Invited speakers: Anna Bredström, Linköping University; Marta-Laura Cenedese, University of Turku; Silvia Maria Ferreira Guimares, University of Brasília; Pier Jaarsma, Linköping University; Allan Köster, Aarhus University; Janet Shim, University of California, San Francisco; Jo Vearey, Wits University; Angela Woods & Katharine A. Cheston, Durham University.

Special issue: Based on the abstracts and the presentations at the workshop, a selection of papers will be invited to a Special Issue in *Journal of Medical Humanities* on the theme of Medical Humanities and Covid/postCovid challenges (guest eds. Sofia Morberg Jämterud, Anna Bredström, Kristin Zeiler).

Date: September 19-21, 2022. **Location:** Linköping University (Linköping/Norrköping), Sweden.

Workshop fee: 800 SEK (VAT excluded). This fee covers parts of the cost for coffee, lunches and two dinners during the workshop, and we express our gratitude to Riksbankens Jubileumsfond (RJ) for funding the workshop. Costs for accommodation and travel will be paid by the participants themselves.

Most welcome with your abstract!

For further information or questions please contact Sofia Morberg Jämterud or Kristin Zeiler at the Center for Medical Humanities and Bioethics, at cmhb@liu.se