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**Téma/Thema: MEDICAL CARE CENTRES IN GERMANY FROM AN
INTERDISCIPLINARY PUBLIC HEALTH PERSPECTIVE.**

Študijný odbor/Fach: 7.4.2. Verejné zdravotníctvo - Gesundheitswissenschaft

Timeliness and relevance of the topic

The habilitation thesis of Mr. PhDr. Fabian Renger, MA, PhD. focuses on the interrelationships between medical facilities - in particular medical care centers - and aims to investigate the interdependencies of business management approaches with an optimization effect for public health. All of the research that the author has carried out with great precision over the last 10-12 years, either alone or with his scientific colleagues, is basically aimed in this direction. The interdisciplinarity indicated in the working title can be seen in the complexity of the scientific contributions, results and monographs produced, and the topic shows a clear relevance for health science.

Theoretical part

The structure of the work is based on the cumulative method, whereby the research contributions are clearly referenced. The knowledge in connection with the medical care centers and the typologically applied business management categories is clearly recognizable. Various related disciplines are used to generate facts about medical care centers from a public health perspective. The author's logic is not lost in the structure of the work.

The theoretical part forms a good foundation for the empirical part of the habilitation.

Objective

The aim of the habilitation thesis is to work out optimization approaches for public health using the example of medical care centers in Germany. This is to be achieved by providing theoretical knowledge and also by using this knowledge in concrete approaches. The main objective of the habilitation thesis is to develop a practical reference to public health and to show which goals must be targeted in order for such an optimization to succeed. The cumulative approach perfectly reflects the research activities in this direction.

Study design, hypotheses, methods

This work has a cumulative structure, but the common thread of knowledge transfer is never lost. It provides a good overview of the author's research activities. The typology development, which already played a key role in the author's dissertation, is further refined and applied to different questions on the topic. The methodology of applying various health economic approaches to the topic of medical care centers in Germany from the perspective of optimized public health is new and presents scientific results from a new perspective for public health. Interesting are also approaches - which are mainly taken up in the author's monographs and confirm the nature of the scientific direction of work. This habilitation thesis succeeds in building a stringent bridge and the approaches for improvement in the healthcare system and for public health are clearly recognizable.

By no means does this work deliver a completed knowledge construct - where new possibilities for further research are still to be developed is pointed out.

Summary

The topicality of the chosen topic and the interdisciplinary scientific achievement based on new research methods emphasize this habilitation thesis. The potential for practical optimization is clearly demonstrated.

The thesis is 166 pages long and thus corresponds to a habilitation thesis.

The submitted work shows no signs of plagiarism.

Questions:

1. What do you think is most important for optimization in terms of public health to succeed?

2. Where are possible weaknesses in your theory, where could there be problems with implementation?

Overall evaluation

The written habilitation thesis presented by **Dr. Fabian Renger** reflects very precisely, is well-founded and problem-oriented, shows an epistemological examination and a high degree of scientific qualification. The basic principles have been worked out very precisely. Dr. Fabian Renger is thus certified as having fulfilled the criteria for successful habilitation with the preparation of this thesis and its defense.

Habilitačná práca, ktorú predložil **Dr. Fabian Renger** veľmi presne reflektuje zvolenú tému, je fundovaná a problémovo orientovaná, vykazuje epistemologické skúmanie a vysoký stupeň vedeckej kvalifikácie. Základné princípy boli spracované veľmi precízne. Dr. Fabian Renger tak dokazuje, že vypracovaním tejto práce a jej následnou obhajobou splnil náročné kritériá úspešnej habilitácie.

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