Dutch infrastructure for Health Promotion

How we work

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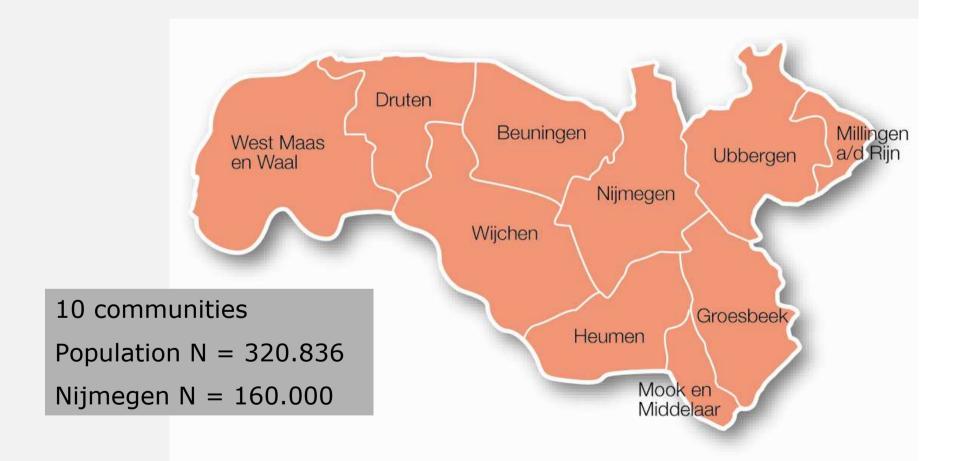


Curriculum Gerard Molleman

Till 1982	Msc Psychology, Menthal Health promotion		
1983 -1994	Manager department Prevention Regional Addiction Centre		
1990 -1993	Chair Dutch Association Health Promotion		
1994-1999	Own consultancy Agency Bureau MAAT		
1994-2008	Manager National Institute for Health Promotion		
	 National Alcohol Campaign 		
	 Development of the Preffi (PhD in 2005) 		
	 Centre for Knowledge and Quality Management 		
	 Representative in Eurohealthnet (EQUIPH) 		
2008	Manager Health Promotion & Epidemiology, Nijmegen		
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Region of Nijmegen





GGD Regio Nijmegen

Municipal Health Service: GGD Regio Nijmegen

- 293 employees 187 FTE (50 FTE for 0-4 year)
- Budget: € 17 million; € 10 million for obligatory tæks
- General Health: n= 60
- Youth Health n=140
- Health Promotion & Epidemiology n=22
- Board, Finance, HRMand communication

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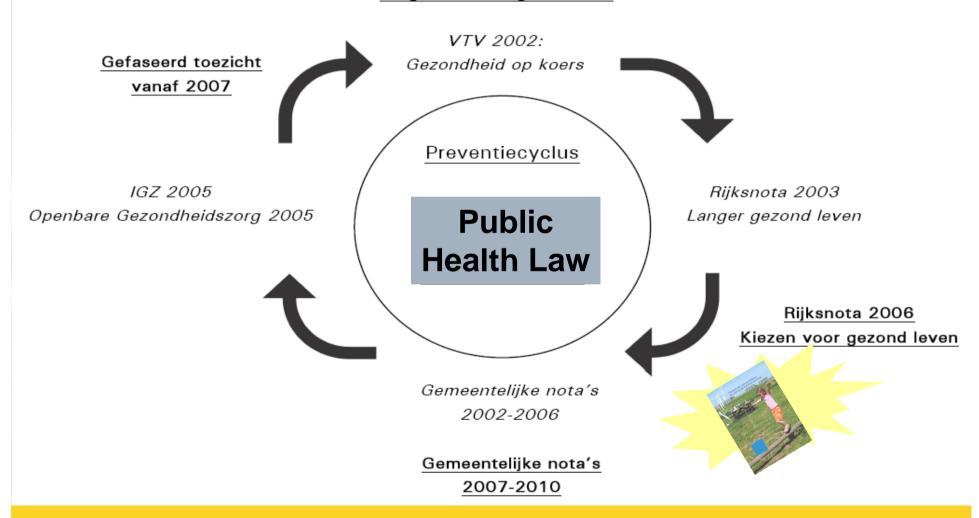
Health Promotion & Epidemiology

- Settings approach
 - Healthy schools
 - Healthy neigbourhoods/communities
- Themes: obesity and alcohol
- Coordination of health promotion regional
- Epidemiology : Cyclus of surveys every year
 - Year 1 children 0-12
 - Year 2
 13 and 15 years
 - Year 3 adults
 - Year 4 elderly



Policy structure Public Health

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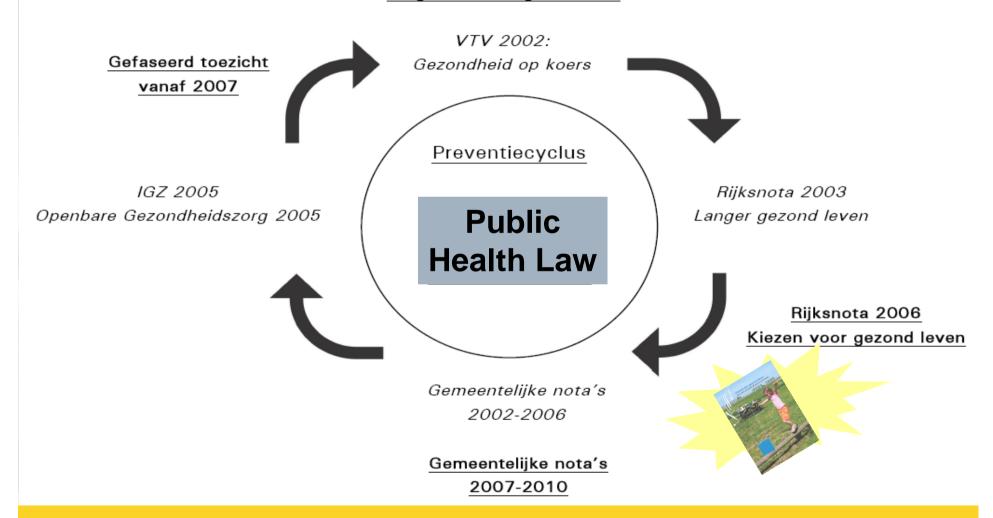
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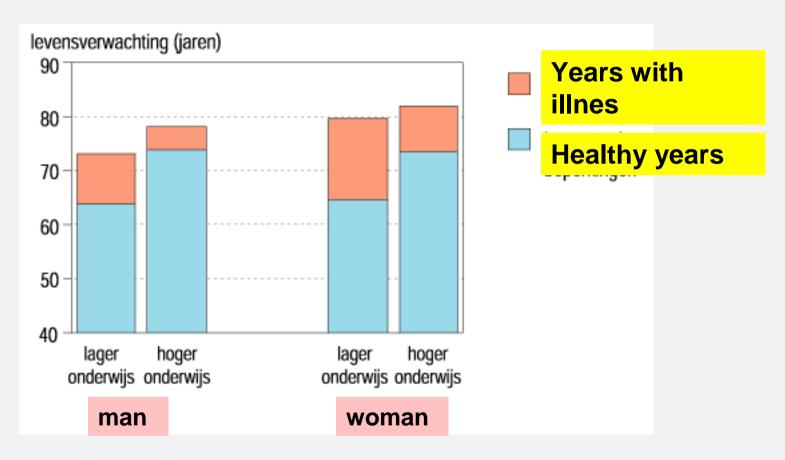
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Life expectancy and years in healthy condition: Health inequalities are serious problem



Differences are not diminishing (Health Forecast report, 2010)



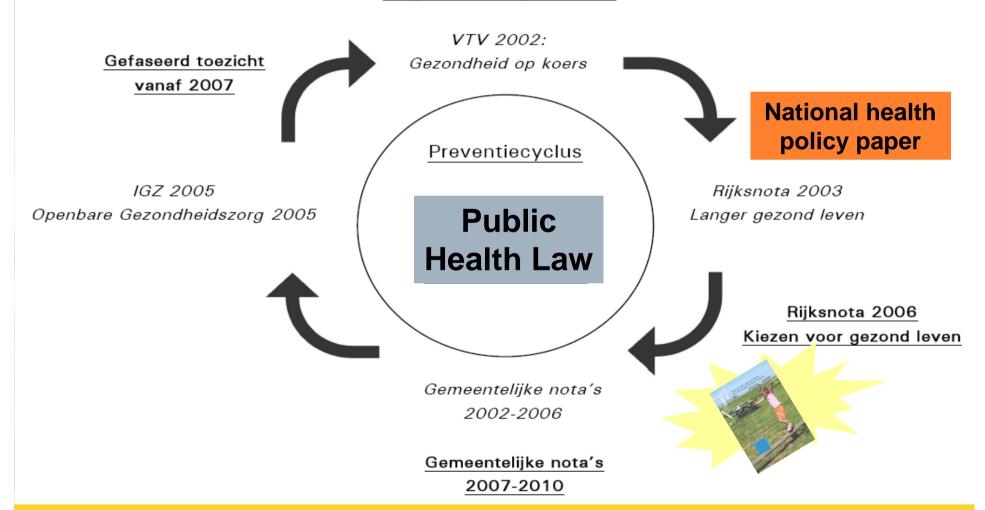
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Priorities ministry of Health

- Smoking
- Alcohol
- Obesity (nutrition and physical exercise)
- Diabetes (nutrition and physical exercise)
- Depression
- Reducing Health Inequalities



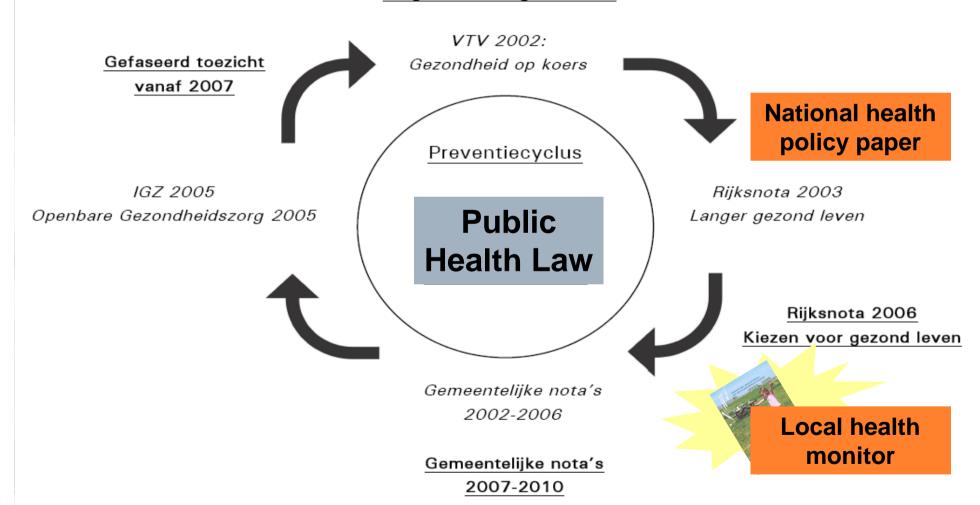
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Figures on Youth health problems in the Nijmegen Region; uit: Emovo 2007/2008

15 %

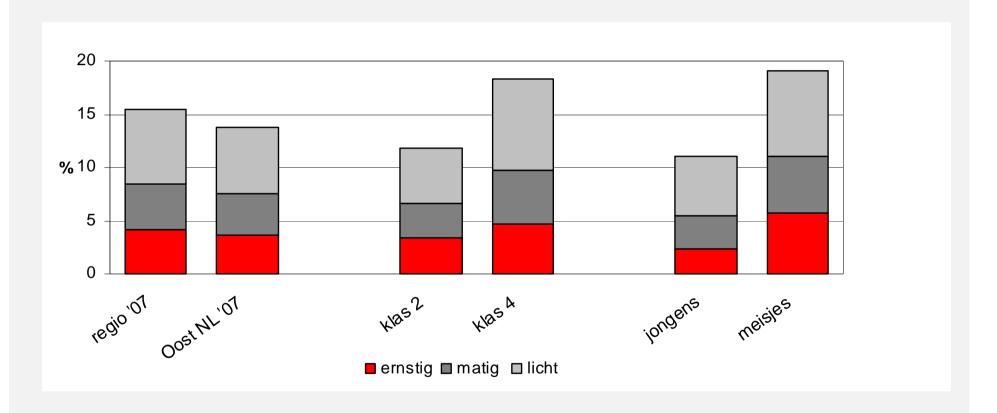
(group 2 and 4 of secondary school)

Depressive symptoms

 Mental problems (MHI-5) 	18 %
 Low vegetable consumption 	59 %
 Below exercise norm 	18 %
 Overweight 	15 %
 Alcohol (binge drinking) 	38 %
 Smoking 	18 %



Depressive feelings (serious, moderate, few)



Bron: Emovo 2007/2008, GGD Regio Nijmegen



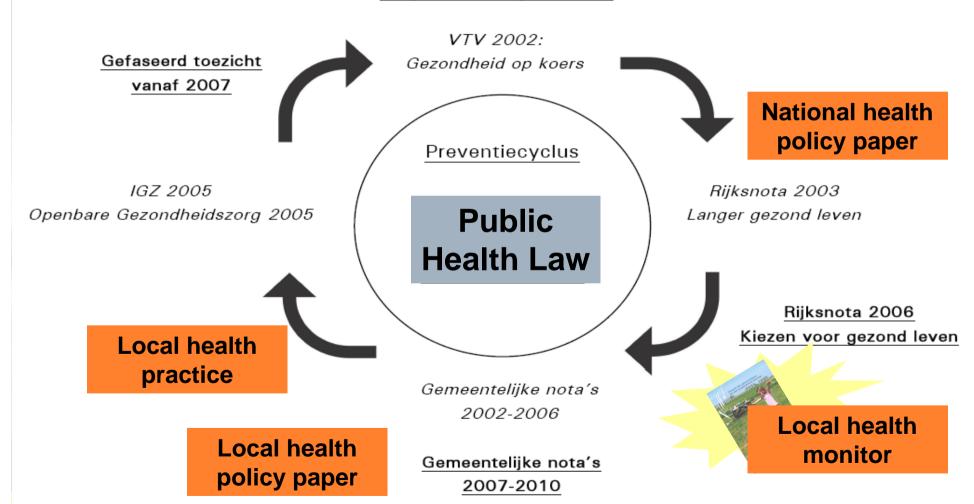
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NO ALCOHOL UNDER 16

Regional alcohol policy Nijmegen







Binge drinking last months (3>)

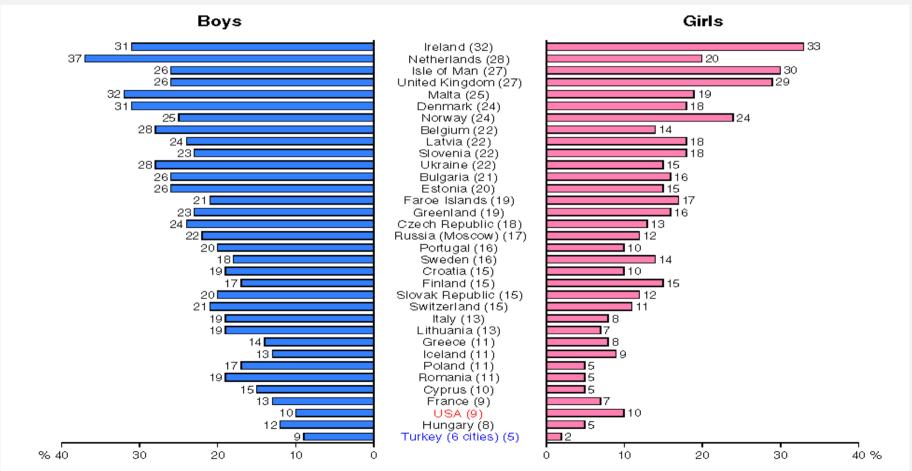
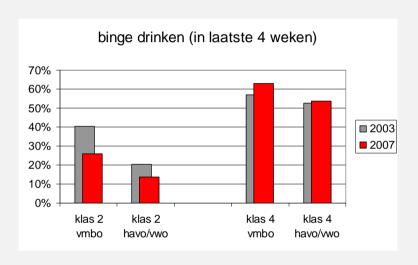
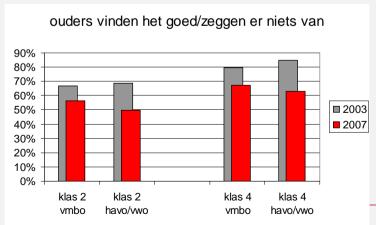


Figure 45b. Proportion of boys and girls who reported "binge drinking" 3 times or more during the last 30 days. 2003. Values within brackets refer to all students. Data sorted by all students. Turkey: Limited geographical coverage. USA: Limited comparability.

Why an alcohol policy: No alcohol under 16







No drinker (left), heavy drinker (right) brain activity 15 year kid

According to the kids

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How much drink 15-year old children in a weekend?

according to p	children	
1 – 4 glasses	10%	21%
5-10 glasses	1%	8%
11-20 glasses	0%	4%
21 glasses or more	0%	2%

Tolerance of parents

Tolerance very important risquefactor for use of alcohol for children.

This is indipendent of the use of alcohol of the parents

Principles for policy

- Succes only when everybody feels responsibility
- One focus : no alcohol under 16
- Local + regional + national
- Integrated approach: mix of sectors and interventions

Important:

- Commitment
- Participation
- Planned and for at least 8 years
- Look where the motivation and energy is
- Combine with what is already happening
- Monitoring and learning



Two objectives

- Raise acceptance norm : no alcohol under 16:
 - children
 - Their parents
 - Relevant others
- For parents and relevant others:
 - Awareness: Alcohol under 16 is a problem
 - Take responsibility themselve

Indicators in 2014

- No alcohol on school parties
- No happy hours in bars on Friday afternoon
- Alternative penalty for disturbance due to alcohol
- All parents get education when children are 10 years old during visit to school doctor
- No alcohol during Carnival parades
- Sensible behaviour on alcohol from of local government
- Clear alcohol policy of sport clubs
- More control by policy and local government

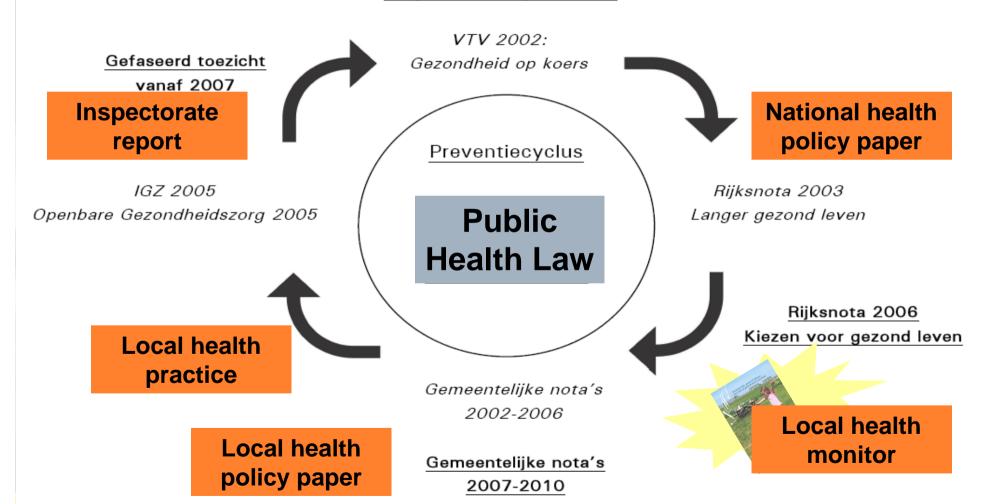
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Context HP in the Netherlands

- Developing infrastructure since 1962
- 1300 HP-specialists on local level; 70% with a university training
- active professional association: DAPHE
- 10 university-centres HP-oriented
- > 6 national institutes on HP-topics
- several public/private agencies: NIGZ
- RIVM/CGL: national knowledge collection and coordination in HP



Infrastructure for Health Promotion (HP)

national level

local level

NiPH/ Center for Healthy Living

National Institutes

- Trimbos
- Nutrition Center
- Physical Activity
- Smoking
- Safety
- Sexual Health

NGO's on topics (n=100)

University centers for HP/prevention

HP Specialists

Municipal Health service (n=600)

Mental Health institutes (n=400)

Addiction Centers (n=200)

Home Care (n=100)

Important for health

Families

Local government

Housing sector

Stores,

restaurants

Schools

Sportsclubs

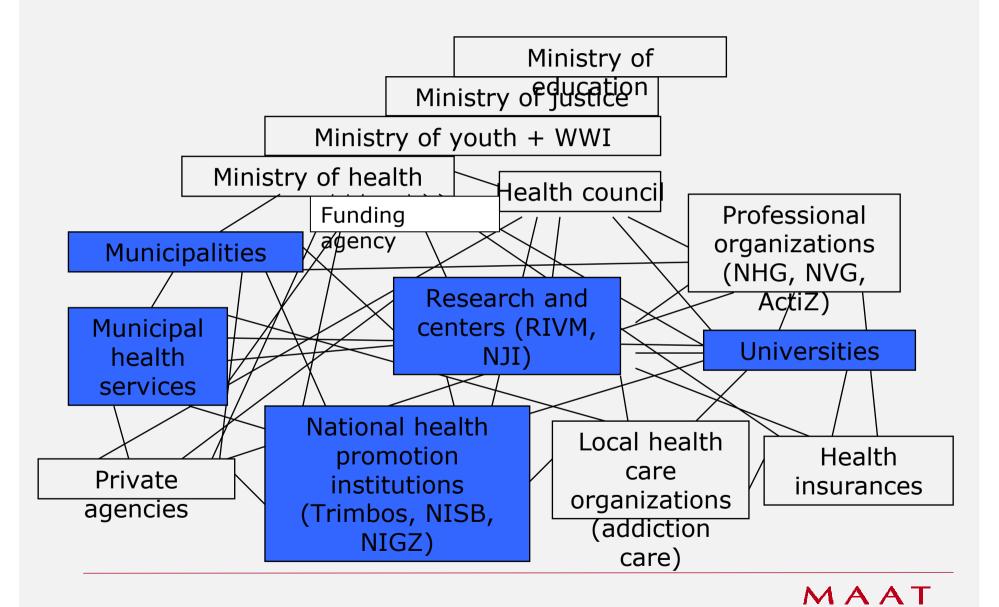
Policy, justice

General practioners

Youht care

Hospitals

The Dutch public health sector: complex.



Trends in HP policy: content

- responsibility HP primarily on the local level: integrated approach through settings (school, community, workplace, etc)
- nationwide: focus on obesity, diabetes, smoking, alcohol, mental health
- locally: focus on health inequalities, obesity, alcohol
- stimulation of local government to pay more attention to national priorities

Tasks on National level

Reviews — What do we know?

Database —— What projects are there? What are good projects?)

Guidelines (Preffi) —— Why and when does it work

Evaluation — What works and why

Training — Support and advice

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Trends in HP policy: strategy collaboration national and local HP-expertise Local level

- integrated approaches through settings
- emphasis on programs with (effective) interventions that fit with the context
- create commitment local government
- stimulate new developments from a local perspective



Phases in development of supportive products at a national level

- 1. Evidence based interventions
- 2. Certification system for interventions
- 3. From interventions to programs
 - a. Guidlines with interventions per topic
 - b. Integrated guidlines: schools, communities



Healthy School

Method Healthy School

"demand based"

Projectplan HS

Prim Schools, Secund, **Schools**

Guideline HS

Materials and instruments

Collaboration with

Schools

Partners

Local government

Menu's

- Education
- Policy
- Environment
- Parent involvement

Topis

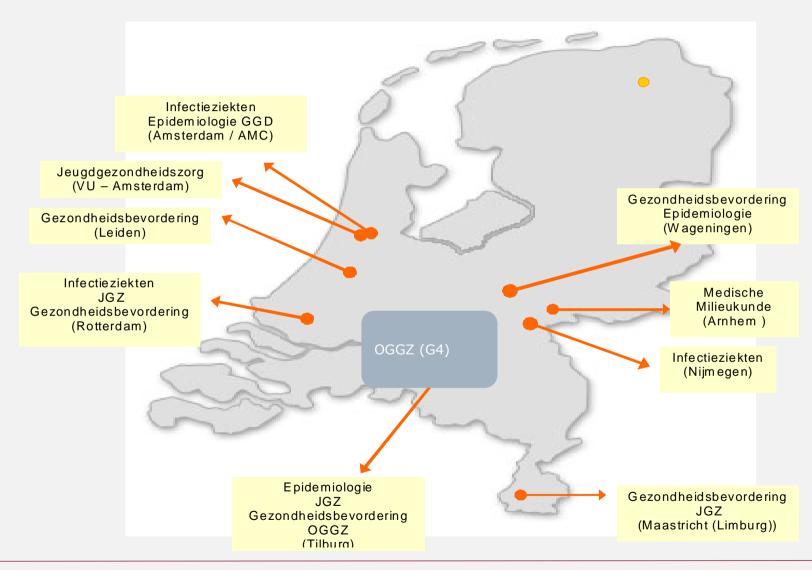
- 1. Smoking, Alcohol, Drugs
- 2. Hygiene, Safety & Climate/Milieu
- 3. Parenting
- 4. Mental Health
- 5. Sexual Health
- 6. Nutrution & Physical activities

Overall Communication plan

Overall Evaluationp lar

Developments in collaboration between science and practice

- Emphasis on collaboration between science-practicepolicy
- System of academic workplaces between public health/ municipal health services and academic centra
- Questions from practices is leading
- Emphases on co-creation





Experiences and learning points 2005-2009

- 4 years is (to) short
- Role GGD-en and other institutes from practice must become more important
- Translation questions from practice in research gets not enough attention
- Commitment local government is missing
- More sustainable; GGD is leading

