Annual report from the Nordic network Communicative Relations to the Nordic Leadership Forum on Deafblindness 2021

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The main purpose of the network is to spread the knowledge of the theories / models from the book "Communicative Relations."
The purpose of the network is also to contribute to the development of knowledge-based practices through case studies. The case studies aspires to exemplify the development of communicative relationships in a dialogical perspective.
The network wishes to cooperate with other Nordic networks within the deafblind field and also with existing national network groups.

The network wishes to keep focusing on strengthening the Nordic cooperation. Not only between the Nordic networks but also down to the individual national networks/groups. We believe that is the best way to spread competence and knowledge.

Meetings of the network:

• March 3rd 2020 in Aalborg where a course was meant to be planned. The course was remade into a webinar, due to the pandemic.
• March 4th 2020 in Aalborg. The network on Tactile Language and Communicative Relations met for a common workday. The focus was on identifying common reference points and themes, as well as look at differences between the networks. In addition we discussed roles in relation to knowledge development, knowledge sharing and quality assurance within these topics.
  Decision: create a closer collaboration over time.

• Digital meetings: June 16th, August 29th and September 16th.
November 25th and 26th the webinar “One's own voice - dialogic praksis in communication” organized by NVC with initiative and teachers from the Nordic network and previous students from the course Atypic Communication, Højskolen Sørøst Norway. During the webinar 91 people participated and the academic focus was on bodily / tactile expressions, authentic communication, transcription in relation to video analysis and an example of video analysis in practice. The goal of the webinar was to strengthen the professional quality assurance in practice, as well as contributing to the link between theory and practice.

Future planning for the Network:

- To continue with the current tasks of the network.
- To work towards there will be one psychologist from each Nordic country represented in the network. This is to strengthen the theory versus practice part. At the same time, it will generate more resources in terms of documentation of the professional foundation. Today there are two psychologists from Norway in the network.
- We are planning on being able to provide video analysis online

Next meeting:

- Digital meetings April 6th and June 1st.

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