

Annual report from the Nordic network Communicative Relations to the Nordic Leadership Forum on Deafblindness 2022

Members:

Sofi Malmgren / Elin Wahlqvist (Sweden)
Anne Nafstad / Håkon Lie Godø (Norway)
Pia Haugaard / Sanne Brink (Denmark)
Maria Creutz - koordinator / NWC (Sweden)

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.

Current:

New members of the network have demanded a new constitution as well as a new purpose description of the network.

The network wants to meet physically approximately once a year, as the immersion and professional work with video analysis online remains difficult. The network continues to seek solutions so that video analysis online can become a constructive process.

Transcription has been a recurring theme throughout the year - how can it be used in the context of the network's work and goals? Håkon Lie, who is a member of the network, has written a master's thesis on the subject.

Meetings of the network:

- Every second month digital meetings for about two hours each.
- September 23rd a digital meeting together with the network on Tactile Language. The focus was on presentations from lecturer / philosopher Anstein Gregersen (lecturer on the module "Atypical Communication" USN University in Southeast Norway.) The presentation made a ground for video analysis and discussion in plenary. The network wants to support more similar networking days.
- December 2nd – 3rd in Gothenburg. Some of the members participated online.

Future planning for the Network:

- To work further with the network's current tasks.
- To be represented at the Nordic Conference in Finland, September 2022
- Plan webinars / seminars with a focus on transcription / opinion formation / video analysis.
- Schedule video analysis that can take place online.
- 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 one psychologist from Norway in the network.

Sanne Brink
Område for Kommunikation og Specialpædagogik, Aalborg, Denmark